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THE FIRST CENTURY
OF THE
HISTORY OF SPRINGFIELD

The Official Records from 1636 to 1736

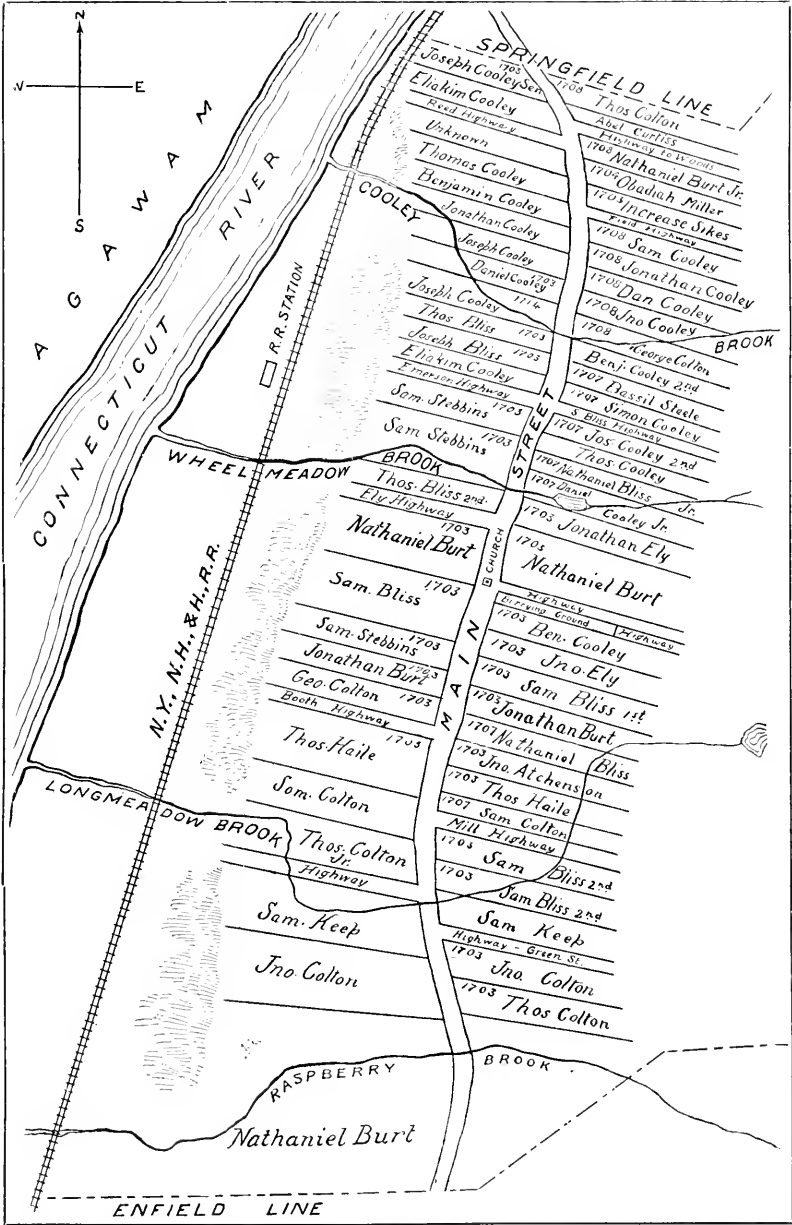
WITH AN HISTORICAL REVIEW AND BIOGRAPHICAL
MENTION OF THE FOUNDERS

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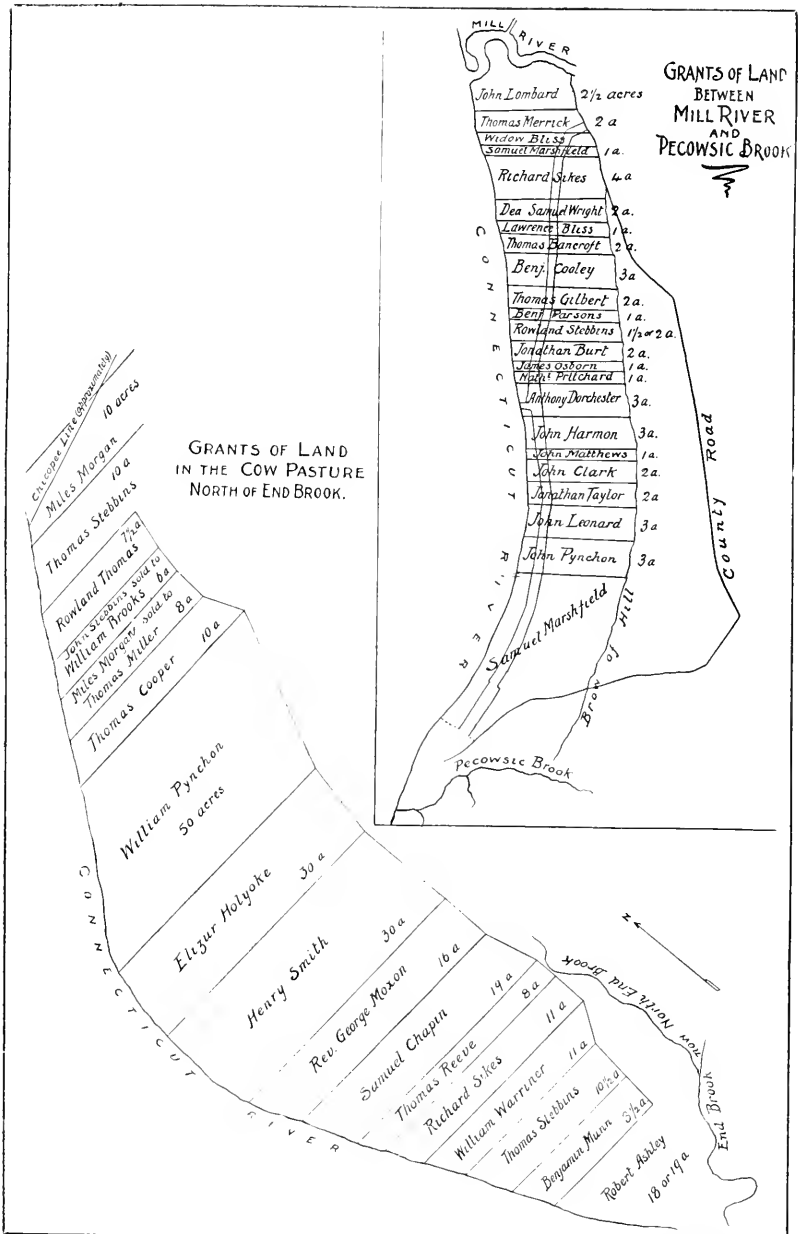
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MAP OF HOMELOTS AT LONGMEADOW.



MAP OF GRANTS NORTH OF END BROOK AND SOUTH OF MILL RIVER.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE.

In this closing year of the century, after much labor, I am able to place within the reach of those who are interested in the history of Springfield, however widely scattered over the country, the concluding volume of the official transactions of the town during the first hundred years of its existence. This publication has grown out of a desire to make accessible the facts upon which the town government was formed and developed during each stage of its history. Such record must, of necessity, include much that to the casual reader seems of little importance; but however trivial the every-day transactions and perfunctory records may appear, they are necessary to complete the picture of the past. It was a realistic age, full of action that concerned material conditions. The romance which has in these later days been woven around the doings of the beginners of the New England settlements, had not touched the people, nor even the leaders, in the founding of a new scheme of government. Their ideals were based upon necessity and duty, and they builded from rude conditions. They are admired for their firm adherence to those principles which have brought to their successors a realizing sense of the vast responsibility and the wisdom of those who went forth as pioneers in thought and action.

The official transactions of Springfield from the beginning in 1636 must remain as the foundation upon which the future historian will reach conclusions, and he will write, not from the doings of a single central figure, nor from a few, but from the whole, all of whom were an integral part of the doings and opinions of the community in its founding and advancement. New discoveries of important facts must henceforth come, if at all, from without,—from the State archives,—or from investigations in England, whence our ancestors came.

In the early pages of this volume are specimens of various handwritings found in the records, and of seventy autographs, reproduced for this work. The individual character of the writers and their degree of training in penmanship are revealed in these as they could be in no other way. These specimens of writing convey to the mind through sight an impression that could not be otherwise obtained, and are an interesting feature in the history of an ancestry of whom we really know so little. In the extracts from the records we have the handwritings of William Pynchon, Henry Smith, Elizur Holyoke, Henry Burt, Lieut. Thomas Cooper, and John Pynchon.

After the extracts from the Town Records will be found facsimiles of two interesting papers in the vigorous handwriting of Deacon Samuel Chapin. One is a deed, dated May 21, 1667, by which Deacon Chapin gives certain lands in Springfield to his son, Japhet. This deed was found many years ago among the papers of the late Dormer Chapin of Chicopee Street, which went after his decease to his grandson, Edmund M. Chapin of Granby. Mr. J. W. Hersey of Springfield, whose wife was Ellen Chapin before her marriage, and is a cousin of Edmund M. Chapin, remarked to the latter that this deed, together with many other papers of like character and origin, should be preserved in some public place. Mr. Chapin subsequently gave them to Mr. Hersey for that purpose, and the latter, although strongly urged to dispose of them to private individuals, presented them to the Springfield City Library. Prior to that time not a single scrap of the Deacon's handwriting had been found in Springfield. Within a few weeks the editor of these volumes has found in the Pynchon account books several of his autographs signed to statements of indebtedness to Pynchon, and an agreement, drawn by Deacon Chapin, between John Pynchon and Elizur Holyoke, in which the former takes the latter's interest in the mill and lands to satisfy a claim of £121 18s 8d. A reproduction of this agreement will be found in this volume, accompanying the deed referred to. These two

papers throw a new light upon the education and training which Deacon Chapin must have received before he came to this country. It is clear that he and also Henry Burt had been trained to a certain extent in legal matters before coming to New England, and that both had been employed where their livelihood came from the use of the pen. That Samuel Chapin could draw in accurate language a legal document, and that Henry Burt filled for many years the office of Clerk of the Writs, are evidence that both had received instruction in England under those who were skilled in the law.

While Deacon Chapin's writing appears obscure to one not skilled in the chirography of his day, a careful study of it shows that he was a most skillful penman. The apparent illegibility is due to the use of certain ancient characters, which even in his time were being abandoned. Conspicuous among these are the small "e," "h," "r," and "s," which resemble those used in German script, the "h" being made sometimes with loops both above and below the line, and sometimes with the loop below the line only. The capital "S" is also peculiar, and there is an abbreviation for "and" which is constantly used. Having regard to these peculiarities, the handwriting will be found of a strikingly regular character and fairly easy to decipher.

The portion of the Town Records printed in this volume covers pages 49-518 inclusive, being the transcript of the contents of Vol. III of the original manuscript. The time which it covers is from December 30, 1664, to May 14, 1736, a period of nearly 72 years. This lapse of time had witnessed the growth of the little "plantation" by the Connecticut to a town of substantial size, preserving, nevertheless, the simplicity of daily life and customs which had marked its conditions in the days of its first settlement. The germ of the city of to-day, which represents so much that is high and noble in education, science, and humanitarian purpose, was steadily unfolding, and the seed that the fathers had planted was giving promise of a rich fruitage in the future.

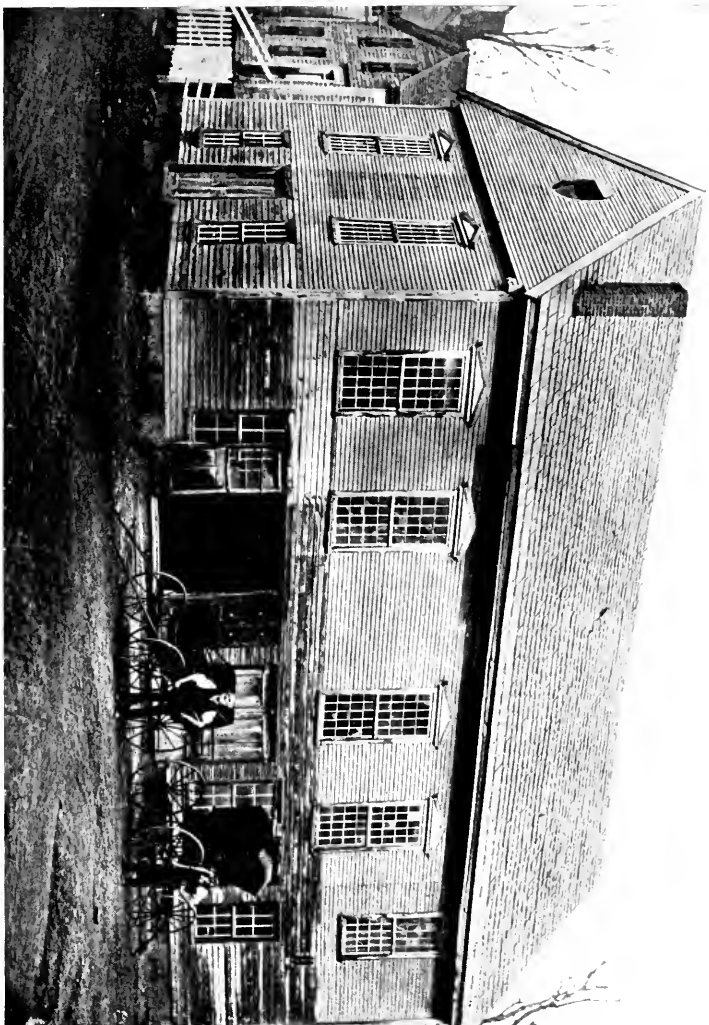
The maps in this and the preceding volume show the loca-

tion of the lots granted to the early settlers. Those in the Cow Pasture, at the North End, now Brightwood, were granted in the same order as were the homelots in the center of the town; that is to say, those at the South End, above Mill River, had the first lots granted above End Brook.

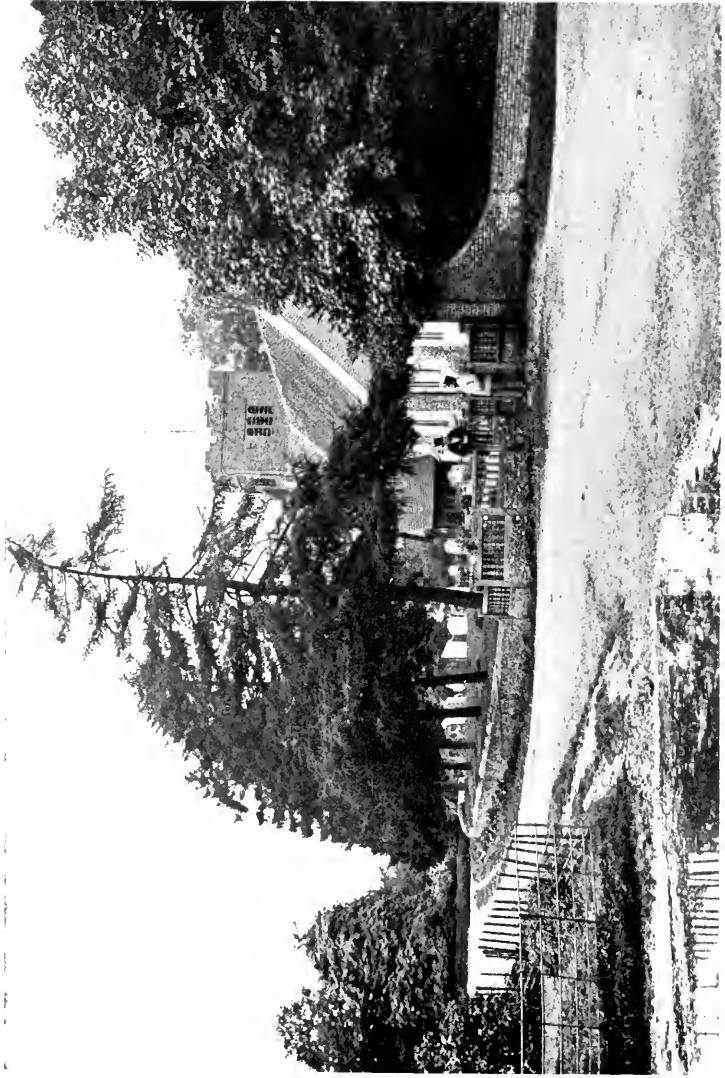
From page 519 to the end of the volume will be found personal sketches of the founders of Springfield, with a genealogical record of three generations, in so far as it has been possible to obtain data. Inter-marriage among the families of the first settlers, such as will be noted upon examination of these tables, was the rule here as in all the early New England settlements. Thus it came about that there was perpetuated a community of interest and opinion, and inasmuch as the immigration during the first century of New England history was almost wholly confined to families of English birth, the New England stock became a thorough embodiment of the Anglo-Saxon character, modified solely by the influences of new surroundings, without the influences that would have come from a mingling with other races. Hence we have the typical New England character, which has made this little section of America so influential wherever New England's sons and daughters have gone. Our emigrant ancestors were not Cavaliers, but were of the sturdy yeomanry of England, who, while guarding the privileges of religion, cherished likewise the sacred truth, "To labor is to pray."

HENRY M. BURT.

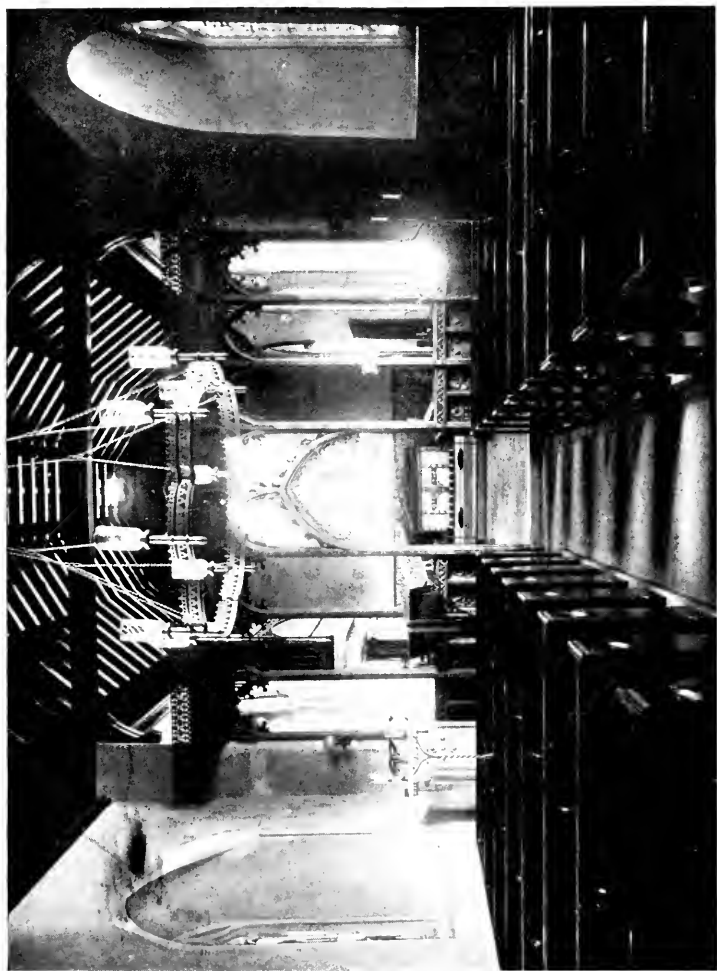
Springfield, January 2, 1899.



FIRST COURT HOUSE IN SPRINGFIELD.—ERECTED IN 1723.



THE PARISH CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, ENGLAND.



INTERIOR OF PARISH CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, ENGLAND.

HISTORICAL REVIEW.

The first century in the history of Springfield opened with William Pynchon as the founder. It closed with another William Pynchon, great-grandson, prominent in its affairs,—Town Recorder and for a time Deputy to the General Court. But after the departure of the founder and the death of his son John, the Pynchon influence began to wane, although some member of the family held official position for many years afterwards. The members of other families became leaders and exerted influence in the conduct of public concerns. The beginning and the subsequent development as new conditions arose, are interesting to follow and study in the growth of the town and the region which surrounded it. The coming of new families, and the desire to acquire property, had a gradual influence in giving a broader scope to the people who were treading in the footsteps of the pioneers; but there was little change in the great purpose on which the settlement was founded. The religious opinions, and the desire to live in harmony with their neighbors,—the love of truth and the cultivation of that spirit which promotes good fellowship, marked every public transaction and gave tone and sentiment to the community in which each was an important part. The spirit of fairness and the desire not to deal unjustly with any one, are noticeable in the settlement of the question concerning the ministry lands, in which the town officials were more yielding than was the son of Rev. Pelatiah Glover, which will be found in the records which follow this review. The necessities of the poor were promptly considered and aid given where required. There was no shirking duty and necessity in any public transaction, and the various doings of the town are plain and simple, as were the people themselves. The opening of schools and their generous support later in the century, plainly mark the desires

and development of the people who made up the community. It was a steady growth from the beginning in which there was always a high purpose.

Although William Pynchon was the founder, he does not appear to have been a dictator beyond stating a few general principles upon which the affairs of the new settlement were to be conducted. It is evident that he had no desire to be regarded simply as a leader.

The declaration under which the settlement was begun, May 14, 1636, will be found on page 156 of the first volume. A facsimile of the first four clauses is given below. They are in the handwriting of Henry Smith, the first Town Recorder.

May the 14th 1636.

We whose names are underwritten being by Gods
 good will engaged together to make a Plantation at
 and over against Naam upon Connecticut, doe mutually
 agree to certayne articles and orders to be observed and kept
 by us and by our successors, except wee and every of us
 for our selves and in our owne names shall thinke meete
 topon these reasons to alter our ~~owne~~ resolutions.
 Wee intend by Gods will as soon as wee can to
 convene at Springfield to give in a Godly and faithful
 minister who in some waye purpose to loyne in Church
 Covenant to walke in all the ways of Christ.
 Wee intend that our towne shall be composed of fourty
 families or if wee thinke meete after to alter or purpose
 yet not to exceede the number of fifty families, each an
 poore.

That every inhabitant shall have a convenient portion
 of a house lot as wee shall see meete for every mans
 quality and estate.

[The Handwriting of Henry Smith.]

To the agreement are affixed the signatures of the eight persons who began the settlement and who signed the document on the 16th of May. The two lines preceding the sig-

natures are in the handwriting of William Pynchon and are as follows: "We testifie to the order above said, being al of the first adventurers & subscribers for this plantation."

we testifie to the order above said being al of the
first adventurers & subscribers for this plantation

William Pynchon
 the m^{ch} of Thomas
 Mitchell offered.

Henry Smith:
 the m^{ch} of John Burr. John Cabel

William Flaher

Edmond 1636

At the close of the following reproduction of the handwriting of Henry Smith will be noticed this: "It is ordered y^t y^e Plantation shall be called Springfeild." The termination of the name "Springfield," is not complete, having been

April 16th 1636

It is ordered of Henry Smith the m^{ch} shall have power
to restrayne the Indians from breaking up any new or ston
or from planting any yt was broken up yt last year
also for the f^{ur} of yt in yt neck they have to catch up
stakes of the f^{ur} of the Indians may be limited or restrayned from
enlarging the f^{ur} in yt f^{ur} of the m^{ch} of the m^{ch} of the m^{ch}
to f^{ur} of the m^{ch} of the m^{ch} of the m^{ch} of the m^{ch}

It is ordered that no man shall sell any Comor ten of
shall be wth the bound of the Plantation wth out the
generall consent of the Plantation wth out the
of no f^{ur} for every f^{ur} of the m^{ch} of the m^{ch} of the m^{ch}

It is ordered of the Plantation shall be called Springfeild

[The Handwriting of Henry Smith.]

worn off by the frequent use of the records. This is the beginning of the name of the town, four years after the settlement was begun.

The handwriting of William Pynchon bears little resemblance to his autograph, as will be noticed by comparing the following with the signature at the close of the agreement to found the settlement. It is an important incident in the his-

Springfield 1636

At the first meeting of the towne held at the house of Henry Smith Esq. in the presence of Richard S. Bell & Henry Bushnell Esq. of the Court of Assistants in the County of Hartford the following was agreed upon to wit

That the towne of Springfield should be incorporated by a charter from the King of Great Brittain to be obtained by the said Henry Smith Esq. and Henry Bushnell Esq. and that the said Henry Smith Esq. and Henry Bushnell Esq. should be the first and second proprietors of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second selectmen of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second assessors of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second clerks of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second justices of the peace of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second constables of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second churchwardens of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second overseers of the poor of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second schoolmasters of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second surveyors of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second tithingmen of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second churchwardens of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second overseers of the poor of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second schoolmasters of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second surveyors of the said towne of Springfield and that they should be the first and second tithingmen of the said towne of Springfield

[The Handwriting of William Pynchon.]

tory of Springfield, for here began the government of the town by a regularly chosen Board of Selectmen. That it may be easily read it is given in full as follows:—

"Springfield the 26 of the 7 m. 1646.

"It is this day agreed by generall vote of y^e Town that Henry Smith Tho Cooper Samuel Chapin Richard Sikes & Henry Burt shall have power to order in all the prudentiall affaires of the Town, to prevent anything they shall judge to be to the damage of the Towne or to ord^r anything they shall judge to be for y^e good of y^e Towne: & in these affaires they shall have power for a yeere space & that they, 5, or any three of them shall also be given full power & virtue, alsoe to here complaints, to Arbitrate controversies, to lay out High ways, to make Bridges, to repayr High wais, specially to order y^e making of y^e way over muxie meddow, to see to the Scouring of Ditches, & to the killing of wolves, & to training up of children in some good caling, or any other thing they shall judge to be to y^e p^rfit of y^e Towne."

Dated the 30 of february 1642
By the select men

Richard Sikes covenanted to ring the bell
and to sweep the meeting house according to
former ^{names} ~~terms~~ ^{15 the week} ~~terms~~ provided hee will have
liberty to leave the work at a month warning
ay to be paid half more than able indians and half more
what to be paid at on mth payment at the end
of June next ensuing the date hereof but if hee leave
work after payment is made hee is to abide by the work
I have wth granted to Richard Sikes for ringing
the bell for marriage and buriall 10 s^o a year
this pay to be paid by the town at all times
him for any sure ordire

[The Handwriting of Henry Burt.]

The agreement made by the Selectmen with Richard Sikes, is in the handwriting of Henry Burt, and is as follows:—

"Richard Sikes hath covenanted to ring the bell and to sweep the meeting house according to former terms, namely 15 the week, p^rvided hee will have his liberty to leave the

work at a month warning, the pay to be payd at one entire payment at the end of June next ensuing, the date hereof, but if hee leave work after payment is made he is to abate is the week.

“There is granted to Richard Sikes for ringing the Bell for marrages and Burials is a tyme, this pay to bee payd by those that shall employ him for such service.”

The handwriting of Lieut. Thomas Cooper will be found in the transactions of the Selectmen on various pages of the records. The accompanying specimen is slightly reduced from the original size, but the character is well preserved in this reproduction. It will be found in print on page 199 of the first volume of this work. The original is under date of February 21, 1649,—correct year 1650. The autograph sig-

These things granted to Henry with Dewey your agent
 5 acres and half an acre in Corn on to other side Long
 middle Street and finding it by in consequence
 in respect of fencing by order of the granting of
 Charles and two other men was full of land being
 in common adjoining to it which if granted him
 would much help his charity in fencing the same
 therefore in July to townsmen taking into consideration
 his request gave good to grant the same for all
 that came to the value of 3 acap more or less being
 about his land formerly granted and long middle street
 and allow a small parcel at the front of Thomas which
 he had lying next to him which he had conveyed in
 by a deed to the value of 3 quarters of an acre
 put her down with property by high way at the
 to loan at the bridge town next to the
 where the bridge now is and his fence set to convenience
 of the parish by the townsmen
 Thomas Cooper
 Jonathan Bur
 William Warriner
 Thomas of
 Robert Ashley

[The Handwriting of Thomas Cooper.]

natures of the Selectmen are in the original record,—Thomas Cooper, Jonathan Bur’ William Warriner, and the mark of Robert Ashley.

The reproduction on the opposite page, in the handwriting of Henry Burt, is in reference to an agreement that the Selectmen made to lease land to Samuel Marshfield and Richard Sikes, purchased of Mr. Moxon before he left Springfield. They are dated 10th of February, 1652.—1653 according to present reckoning is the correct year.

The date of Mr. Moxon's departure from Springfield for his old home in England is approximately established by a

At a Towne meeting Septemb^r 1652
 9.14th 1652: There being Consideration had ~~of~~ how necessary it was for the Towne ^{to} purchase Mr Moxons house & Land ~~to~~ to Remaine for ^{the} use of ^{the} Ministry to Posterity: Thereupon by ^{the} joint Consent of ^{the} Towne it was concluded to create with him about ^{the} purchase of it & John Pynchon; Hen: Burt, Sam^l Chagen & Tho: Cooper, were appointed & deputed by ^{the} Towne to bargain for ^{the} purchase, who accordingly did agree with ^{the} Mr Geo Moxon for his house & all his Land in Springfield to Remaine for ever to ^{the} use of ^{the} Inhabitants of Springfield: as is more fully expressed in ^{the} Towne Booke for Recording of Land.

[The Handwriting of John Pynchon.]

record in the handwriting of John Pynchon, to be found in the Town Records, and here inserted in a reproduction. The committee to treat with Mr. Moxon was composed of John Pynchon, Henry Burt, Samuel Chapin, and Thomas Cooper. Pynchon wrote a very clear, bold hand, as will be seen by the

117 Dated the 10 of february — 1652

By the select men

There is granted to samuell maysfield this year
the on half of a lot of the widow that the Towne
purchased of Mr moxon at 10 the arbor only for
haffe arbor next to the widow pet is to be a tith
trodle some this pay to be paye in to the town
men half in merchantable Indian the other half
in merchantable wheat the 10th of this month
next ensuing the date here of here is to be paid
the upper part of the lot from front to rear

There is also granted to samuell maysfield this year
10 at other parts of ground broken up in the third
division be it more or less for 100 the arbor in
the same kind of way at this tyme formerly mentioned
it is to pay in the year 1653

Dated the 10 of february 1652

By the select men

There is granted to Ringard Gibb this year
all the new ground broken up in the home lot
that was Mr moxons for 10 the arbor to be
paye in wheat or pease the 10th of this month
next ensuing the date here of

It is also granted to Ringard Gibb to pay
the same law at the same tyme the year
next ensuing the former provided the select
men that shall be chosen for that year
approve it

specimen herewith given which is quite unlike that of his father's.

Elizur Holyoke, in point of exactness was the model Town Recorder. His handwriting fills many pages of the records and is easily read. Its elegance is especially noticeable in deeds which he drew, now in possession of the Springfield

August 1st 1663 Josias Chapin is by Select-Men
admitted to be an Inhabitant of this Town:
And his father Samuel Chapin acknowledged
himself bound in a bond of twenty pounds to
save the Town harmless in respect of any
charge it may accrue to this Town by reason of
his said Son Josias:

August 3. 1663 At a meeting of y^e Committee
Chosen by the Town for the giving out of lands
belonging to y^e Plantation:
There is granted to Josias Chapin above
mentioned twenty acres of land: wch land is to
lye on the South Side of Howland Thomas his land
Eight in that little playne that is Southward fro
the said Howlands land a house neere Chickenspe
River. It is to be bounded by the high way Eastward
to the River westerly by the Commons Southwardly
going to Howland Thomas his land Northwardly.

[The Handwriting of Elizur Holyoke.]

City Library. When a person was admitted an inhabitant, which carried with it the right to vote, he was obliged to give a bond in the sum of £20 to save the town "harmless in respect to any charge that may accrue to this said Town by reason of the said person." The accompanying reproduction shows the admission of a son of Dea. Samuel Chapin and the bond given by the father. After the admission of the son he was granted twenty acres of land.

The last illness of Elizur Holyoke, who had served the town for many years as Recorder, must have been of short duration. It will be seen by the accompanying reproduction that the town meeting was held on the 1st of February, and his death occurred on the 6th. He had begun to make up the record, quite probably after the meeting was over, and had proceeded in making the transcript to the close of the second name of the Selectmen and there his work ended. The concluding portion of the record is in the hand of John Pynchon. On the 23d of the same month another town meeting was held in which Pynchon states: "This meeting Called to make Supply of a Select man & also of one to Enter things, God having taken away Capt. Holyoke." The date of year is given in the records according to old style. The correct year as now reckoned is 1676.

The writer would fail to do justice to a man of great personal worth and influence if he concluded this work without a tribute to the life and work of Elizur Holyoke.

He was for 36 years a resident of Springfield, and while not possessing the aggressive character of John Pynchon, he had other qualities which made him known and respected. His clearness of statement indicates that he had been well educated in youth, and his superior penmanship, as seen on many pages of Town, County and Court Records, shows how well he performed his duties. After becoming familiar with his work and following that which had been his chief labor for many years, interpreting, as it were, his thoughts, one feels in his departure something of a personal loss, and such must have been the thoughts and feelings of those with whom he had been so long associated.

The land grants from 1664, up to the close of his life as seen in the official records, were entered on pages in the manuscript volume that are not in the order given to the transactions of the annual town meetings, blank leaves having been reserved for that purpose. This may explain what might appear on examination to be a lack of an orderly arrangement in the records.

At a Court held at Town Meeting
the 28th of June Major Pynchon is chosen Treasurer for this year
& for all other Town Meetings in this Town this year.

Jonathan Durt & Saml. Houghoff are chosen a Committee to review
the accounts of the Select Men of this year & new past:

Ensigns Cooley, Jonathan Durt, John Keegan
John Hitchcock & Capt. Elizur Holyoke, are chosen
select men for ordering all & Prudentiall affairs
of & Towne for 7 yeare ensuing to act according
to Injunctions & directions for & select men as in pa. 5
of the Booke.

Saantl' Marshfield & Serja Stebbings are chosen the
Successors for Land: & is to be laid out or measured

Japhet Chagrin is chosen Constable
of Springfield for the yeare ensuing.

At a Town Meeting:
Febr. 23. 1675.

This meeting being called to make support
lect than & also of one to enter things
having taken away Capt Holyoke!

Sams Marshfield was by a cleare vote choise
a select man, to make up a Number for the
years Enfring.

Jonath Burt is chosen Towne Clarke
to enter all writings, & take care for
of Recording Towne affairs & keeping of
Records of Towne.

Sams Holyoke is made choise of for Clarke of
Court to be recorder of County Court
for Confirmation in office.

THE HANDWRITING OF DEACON SAMUEL CHAPIN.

The following reproductions of the handwriting of Deacon Samuel Chapin will convey to his many descendants a clearer impression of his attainments than any description hitherto given in print. The first is an agreement between John Pynchon and his brother-in-law, Elizur Holyoke, concerning the transfer of the latter's interest in the mill and lands connected therewith to satisfy a debt to Pynchon. The second paper is a deed conveying lands in Springfield to his son, Japhet. That these may be the more easily read the following text is printed in full as written, beginning with the agreement. The words in this, "the other side," refers to the entry showing the indebtedness which was entered on the opposite page from the agreement:—

"In consideration of the dept of An hundred & twenty one pounds eighteen shillings eight pence on the other side Captain Pynchon when hee went for England did Agree with his brother Holioke to take the mill & Mstr Holiokes share of the Land belonging thereunto & the said Mstr Holiokes share of pay due from Jeremiah Horton & James Warriner for full payment of the said dept on the other side & upon deliverie of A deed of sale for the Mill & the Land to his wife Mstr Pynchon hee did give order his said wife should Cancel that dept of £121 18s 8d on the other side, Now this first of March 63-64, the said Mstr Holioke did deliver to Mstres Pynchon A deed of sale of the said Mill & Land, Whereupon the said Mstrs Pynchon Cancelled the said dept.

"Witnes Samuel Chapin."

The deed of lands, copied from the original, is as follows:—

"These P'sents testifie that Samuell Chapin of Springfield for & in Consideration of the fatherly Love & Care which I have & doe beare unto my sonne Japhet Chapin have given & granted & by these P'sents doe give grant & Confirme unto my said sonne Japheth Chapin & to his heares & assignes for ever all my howsing & lands in & about the towne of Springfield even All that became myne eyter by purchase or by dividents or gift from the towne: To have & to hold the

I have of lands together to wit of Samuell Chapman
 the eldest son in sons direction of fatherly love
 to me and I have these became unto me some
 twenty of Jason Chas. Grant's estate by the
 said Grant's grant. Concerning unto my said some
 twenty of Jason to his heirs & assigns for ever
 of my possession land in about the forsses of
 the first where all that became my said by
 or by Grants or his from the town of
 to hold the said lands & tenements
 suggestions of me, to him his heirs & assigns
 forever. Notwithstanding the one half of
 the said lands for the term of my said
 tenure. Unto my said some to his heirs &
 assigns forever & to his heirs & assigns
 forever. In witness whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand & seal the 21 day of May 1667.

Robert Polwinn
 in the presence of

John Herbert
 Nathaniel Herbert

[The Handwriting of Deacon Samuell Chapman.]
 A DEED OF LANDS FROM DEACON SAMUEL CHAPIN TO HIS
 SON, JAPHET, MAY 21, 1667.

In consideration of the report of an old
 and honest and renowned English
 Merchant, one of the greatest on the Island
 of Barbadoes, who hath given information
 unto the said Council that he hath
 sold unto the said Council all the
 said land containing about
 the space of three hundred and
 thirty acres more or less, and
 hath received for the same
 the sum of one hundred and
 thirty pounds, which sum he
 hath paid to the said Council
 the said Council hath given
 unto the said Merchant a
 receipt for the same sum
 the said Council hath
 caused to be published
 in the said Island a
 proclamation to that
 effect, that all persons
 who shall have any
 land of the said Council
 shall pay unto the
 said Council the sum
 of one pound for every
 acre of land so
 purchased, and that
 the said Council shall
 give unto the said
 Merchant a receipt
 for the same sum
 when he shall have
 received the same
 from the said Council
 the said Council hath
 caused to be published
 in the said Island a
 proclamation to that
 effect, that all persons
 who shall have any
 land of the said Council
 shall pay unto the
 said Council the sum
 of one pound for every
 acre of land so
 purchased, and that
 the said Council shall
 give unto the said
 Merchant a receipt
 for the same sum
 when he shall have
 received the same
 from the said Council

[The Handwriting of Deacon Samuel Chapin.]

November 16th 1663. Aco^{ted} receipt due to mee from my Be^{tr}
 Holyoke the sum of one hundred twenty
 ty one Pound eightare sh^lling eight
 pence ^{and} twen^y of his Rand. 1663 18 08
 Elizur Holyoke.

Aforesaid howsing & Lands with all the Apurtenances thereof, to him his heares & asignes forever: excepting the one halfe thereof of all those howsings & Lands for the terme of myne & my wifes life: Unto my said sonne & to his heires & Asignes forever, freely & quietly without any manner of Challenge Claime or demand made or to bee made by mee the said Samuell Chapin or Any other P'son or P'sons whatsoever for me or in my name or in my right or by my meanes or P'curement: In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seale this 21 of May, 1667.

"SAMUEL CHAPIN. [Seale.]

"Sealed & delivered in
the presence of
"John hitchock
"hannah hitchock."

COMMEMORATING IMMIGRANT ANCESTORS.

Two statues, memorials to early settlers, erected in Springfield, have attracted considerable attention, and as they relate to the beginning of the settlement it is fitting that they should be included in this volume. The first one erected has been a conspicuous object of interest on Court Square, a memorial to Miles Morgan, the progenitor of a long line of successful business men who have been honored in stations of usefulness and trust. It is the work of a New York artist, Mr. J. S. Hartley, who has fully represented the spirit of the times in which Miles Morgan had an active part. It was presented to Springfield by the late Henry T. Morgan of New York, then a well-known banker and business man.

The second is to Deacon Samuel Chapin, entitled, "The Puritan," by that eminent artist, Mr. Augustus St. Gaudens. It is a remarkable work of art, embodying the aggressive force of the people who settled New England, and some of the characteristics of our early days, and incidents in the history of Deacon Chapin. With the Bible in hand it is easy to conceive that he is on the way to the meeting-house, to lead in the religious services to which he was assigned a part on



THE PURITAN.

By Augustus St. Gaudens.

A MEMORIAL TO DEACON SAMUEL CHAPIN.—GIFT OF HON.
CHESTER W. CHAPIN.

certain occasions. This statue has attracted wide attention of both artists and the lovers of art. A copy has been placed in the Art Museum at Boston, another has gone to the great Dresden Gallery, and a third is to be placed in the Louvre at Paris. It is the gift to Springfield of the late Hon. Chester W. Chapin, who two years before his death gave the commission to St. Gaudens to create this fitting memorial to an ancestor who had a prominent part in the beginnings of Springfield. It was unveiled on Thanksgiving day, November 24, 1887, by two grand-children of the donor, and presented to the city in a speech by his son, Mr. Chester W. Chapin. Judge E. B. Maynard, then Mayor of Springfield, received it in behalf of the city in an appropriate and most fitting speech.

AUTOGRAPHS OF THE FIRST SETTLERS.

Upon the following pages are given reproductions of the signatures of many of the original settlers of Springfield, together with a few from Northampton and other neighboring towns. The ability to write was so limited at that period that not a few men of high standing in the community, including at least five who served many years as Selectmen, were unable to sign their names. It is probable that the signatures herewith presented embrace a majority of those among the earliest inhabitants of Springfield who were able to write.

The signature of the Rev. Mr. Moxon is copied from the "Massachusetts Collections," published by the Massachusetts Historical Society; all others were reproduced from original papers, and, with two or three exceptions, expressly for this work. The signatures of William Pynchon, Henry Smith, Cornet Joseph Parsons, John Cable, and Daniel Denton are taken from the Town Records; those of Elizur Holyoke, John Holyoke, John Pynchon and Amy Pynchon, from a deed of land in Springfield, executed by John and Amy Pynchon, now in the Springfield City Library; those of Japhet Chapin, Jonathan Burt, Deacon Benjamin Parsons, and John Pease, Senior, from a petition to the General Court asking



MILES MORGAN, THE ANCESTOR.—GIFT OF
HENRY T. MORGAN.

leave to establish a settlement at Fresh Water brook (now Enfield, Connecticut); those of David Burt, Deacon Samuel Wright, Senior, John Ingersoll, Lieutenant William Clarke, Jonathan Hunt, John King, John Marsh, and Aaron Cook, from a petition drawn by James Cornish, Clerk of the Courts under Governor Andros, and sent from Northampton to the General Court. All the others are from the account books of John Pynchon (now in the Springfield City Library), being appended to acknowledgments of indebtedness to Pynchon, at whose store all of the men whose signatures appear, with one or two possible exceptions, had running accounts.

The only woman's signature in the collection is that of Amy, wife of John Pynchon and daughter of George Willys of Hartford. It possesses peculiar interest, not only as being that of the wife of the most prominent man of that day in Western Massachusetts, but also as the best specimen of woman's handwriting which the writer has found among the papers of the time which these records cover. Probably not half a dozen women in Springfield, in the early years of the town's history, could write their names, and those who attempted to do so were usually inferior to their brothers and husbands in the use of the quill.

As to the standard of penmanship of the period under consideration, the men among the early settlers who had been educated in England usually wrote an excellent hand, and in some instances their sons displayed a similar ability. But from that time down, for several generations, there was a retrograde movement in handwriting, as there seems to have been in scholarship. The hardships of pioneer life left little chance for intellectual improvement. With the beginning of the eighteenth century came an elevation of the standard of the common schools, and a corresponding improvement in penmanship. In the records of the latter period many of the peculiar abbreviations which were common in the writings of the seventeenth century were dropped, as well as the archaic forms of letters employed by the earlier penmen, and the handwriting reflects the influence of better education and the greater impulse of business.

William Pynchon

The Founder.

Henry Smith

Son-in-law of William Pynchon.

Samuell Chapin

Deacon Samuel Chapin.

Elizur Holyoke

Son-in-law of William Pynchon.

Henry Chapin

Son of Deacon Samuel Chapin.

John Holyoke

Son of Elizur Holyoke.

David Chapin

Son of Deacon Samuel Chapin.

John Pynchon

Son of William Pynchon.

Josiah Chapin

Son of Deacon Samuel Chapin.

Amy Pynchon

Wife of John Pynchon.

Japhet Chapin

Son of Deacon Samuel Chapin.

David Chapin

Son of Japhet Chapin.

Joseph Pynchon

Son of John Pynchon.

G. Moxon

First Minister of Springfield.

Henry Burt

Clerk of the Writs.

David Burt

Son of Henry Burt.

Jonathan Burt

Son of Henry Burt.

Samuel Wright Jones

Deacon Samuel Wright.

Joseph Parsons

Cornet Joseph Parsons.

Benja Parsons

Deacon Benjamin Parsons.

William Warriner

William Warriner.

John Cable

John Cable.

George Colton

Quartermaster George Colton.

John Stebbins

John, son of Rowland Stebbins.

Thomas Stebbins

Thomas, son of Rowland Stebbins.

John Searle

John, son of John Searle.

Thomas Stebbins

Son of Thomas Stebbins.

Samuel Marshfield

Samuel Marshfield.

Nathaniel Sikes

Son of Richard Sikes.

Simon Bemou

Increase Sikes

Son of Richard Sikes.

Samuell Terry

William Brooks

William Brooks.

John Lamb

Thomas Cooper

Lieut. Thomas Cooper.

Samuell Ely

Son of Nathaniel Ely.

Luke Hitchcock

Son of Luke of New Haven.

John Hitchcock

Son of Luke of New Haven.

John Ingersoll

John Ingersoll.

John Dumbleton

John Dumbleton.

Thomas Bancroft

Thomas Bancroft.

Thomas Day

Thomas, son of Robert of Hartford.

Samuel Day

Samuel, son of Thomas Day.

John Day

John, son of Thomas Day.

Jeremiah Horton

Jeremiah, son of Thomas Horton.

Edward Foster

Edward Foster.

Joseph Whiting

Son-in-law of John Pynchon.

George Alexander

George Alexander.

Joseph Harmon

Joseph, son of John Harmon.

Joseph Leonard

Joseph, son of John Leonard.

Daniel Denton

Daniel Denton the Schoolmaster.

Isaac Frost

Isaac Frost.

James Osborn

James Osborn.

Joseph Ashley

Joseph, son of Robert Ashley.

Symon Sacket

Symon Sacket.

John Bliss

Son of Widow Margaret.

Aboll Wright

John Barber

John Atlyn

Of Hartford.
Nephew of John Pynchon.

Jonathan Hunt

Of Northampton.

Sam^l Willys

Of Hartford.
Brother-in-law of John Pynchon.

Eleazar Mather

First Minister of Northampton.
Son of Rev. Richard of Dorchester.

Henry Stiles

Henry Stiles of Windsor.

William Holton

Deacon William Holton of Northampton.

William Earle

Lieut. William of Northampton.

John King

Of Northampton.

Aaron : Cooke

Of Northampton.

George Langton

Of Northampton.

Edw. Elmer

Of Northampton.

Alexander Edwards

Of Northampton.

John Marsh

Of Hadley.

John Pease Sen

Of Enfield.

John Earle

John Earle.

THE EARLY BUILDINGS IN SPRINGFIELD.



John Pynchon's House.

Little is known of the prevailing style of architecture in Springfield during the first hundred years. It is probable that many of the first houses had thatched roofs. There was a town order which prohibited the carrying of fire in the street, and every householder was required to keep a ladder,—evident precautions against possible fires. John Pynchon in his account books gave various individuals credits for labor in getting thatch. Whatever material entered into the construction of the dwellings there must have been plain simplicity in style and details. The only buildings erected in the first century, of which there exist pictures, were John Pynchon's house, which stood where the Fire and Marine Insurance Company's building, known as Fort Block, now stands, and the first Court House, which was built in or not far from 1723. Green's history of Springfield states that the Pynchon house was built in 1661 and the Court House in 1721. The date given of the latter is not correct, and that of the former is in doubt. The date of building the Pynchon house was probably taken from a bargain that Pynchon made with Francis Hacklington of Northampton for 50,000 bricks. There are certainly some reasons for believing that this house was not built until a much later date. There was no reason why that or any other house should be fortified until there was anticipated danger from the Indians, and there had been none until the town was burned on October 5, 1675. At a meeting of the Selectmen, June 3, 1678, little more than two years after the town was burned, John Pynchon desired leave "to set up a flanker in the street at the east end of his new house now

building on the north side of his homelot, the flanker which he desires he may have liberty to set it into the street five feet and ten feet in length." His desires were "granted unto him so long as there may be need of a flanker." The "flanker" was undoubtedly for the purpose of protecting the house from anticipated attacks by the Indians. Pynchon bought and sold bricks for "pavements,"—that is, for the bottoms of brick ovens, and he supplied many with them. Possibly this fact might have had some relation to the bargain with Hacklington for bricks. The record is in the handwriting of Pynchon's nephew, John Holyoke. It is not known that Pynchon built any other house, and the location described by John Holyoke corresponds with that of the ancient mansion, which was demolished in 1831, 68 years ago. An amateur "artist" saved its outlines, which have formed the prominent feature of the city seal.

The first mention of building a Court House is found in the Town Records, when on November 29, 1721, at a town meeting it was voted to build a Court House, provided "our neighboring towns, viz: Westfield, Suffield, Enfield, and Brookfield be Assisting us. In doing of it it is now voted that the said Court House shall be forty feet long and thirty feet wide, and seventeen feet stud. It was also voted that Joseph Williston, John Worthington, and Luke Hitchcock, Senior, be a committee to make provision for and effect the building and finishing the said Court House, and that they have full power to conclude upon and determine the place where the said Court House shall stand."

The next record concerning it is under date of February 9, 1722, when it was "Voted that there be money drawn out of the Town Treasury to be improved toward building the Court House. Voted that there be twenty pounds drawn out of the Town Treasury, if it be there to be had, and that it be delivered to the Committee that were chosen to effect the building our said Court House."

The next movement was at a town meeting held September 10, 1722, when "a Committee was chosen to consider and

propose some method or way to compose the differences that have, or may arise, about the Court House, and to make report to the town." The committee chosen consisted of Lieut. Ephraim Colton, Pelatiah Bliss, Increase Sikes, Capt. John Merrick, Lieut. Joseph Cooley, Samuel Day, Deacon Joseph Ely, Ensign John Miller, Ensign James Merrick, and Jonathan Worthington. The meeting then adjourned to October 8, when "the inhabitants assembled together and the Committee did present their proposals, which followeth: 'That some part of the Inward Commons be put under Good Regulation & be Exposed to sale towards the defreighing the Charge of Building said Court House: viz: that so much be sold on the West side of the Great River as to advance the sum of Thirty Pounds and so much be sold on the East side of the Great River as to advance the sum of sixty Pounds, and that a Committee be chosen to regulate and manage said matter to as Little Damage as may be to the Inhabitants, & if said sums of Thirty Pounds & Sixty Pounds be more than will be Needful to finish & Compleat said House, with what is already given and granted towards said House, that the overplush be paid into the Town Treasury to complete and finish said House, and that a meet Person be chosen on the West side of the Great River to Joyne with the Committee for Building and finishing said Court House:' the Inhabitants aforesaid taking the said proposals into consideration it was voted that the said proposals of the said Committee be accepted by the Town, and it was voted that Deacon Ebenezer Parsons be one of the Committee for Building and finishing said Court House."

The next recorded movement was the appointment of a "committee, at a Town meeting held December 12, 1723, consisting of Samuel Day, Lieut. Ephraim Colton, and Thomas Horton, to examine the accounts of the Committee for building the Court House," and on January 6, 1724, this committee was voted five shillings each for making an examination of the Treasurer's account and the accounts of the committee for building the Court House, and it was voted

"that the Selectmen do from time to time agree with some person to sweep & keep clean the Court House." This would seem to establish the fact that the building was completed in 1723. It was located on what subsequently became Market Street, and after undergoing one or more removals, finally stood on the south side of Sanford Street and on what was Berlin Street, east of W. S. Collins's livery stable. It was occupied for meetings of the First Parish Society, and by the town as a place for holding town meetings; and later became a wagon and blacksmith shop, and was occupied as such when the photograph which is reproduced in connection with this recapitulation of its history was taken. It disappeared only a few years ago, in the march of improvements in the locality where it last stood.

THE FRENCHMAN WHO BEQUEATHED MONEY TO THE POOR OF SPRINGFIELD.

Along the Pine Street side of the Springfield Cemetery, among the long line of monuments that were moved many years since from the first cemetery, west of Court Square, is a monumental table resting on stone pillars, which was erected over 170 years ago, 17 years after the death of the benefactor whose name it perpetuates, and who died November 26, 1711. This monument was erected by the town in 1729 as a public recognition of gratitude to a stranger who left a considerable amount of money and property to the town for its poor. At a town meeting held March 12, 1728, is this record: "To consider whether the Town will buy a Tomb Stone for the Frenchman, deceased, who bestowed the money on the poor of the Town and act as they shall think meet on the 7th day of May, 1728." At the subsequent meeting it was "Voted that the Selectmen Gett a Handsome Tomb Stone, or Grave Stone, and Sett up at the Grave of John Malliford, deceased, being the man that gave money to the Poor of the Town." Upon the monument the name of John Mallefuld appears, but the different Town Clerks wrote it "Mallefield," "Masse-

feild," "Malleford," and "Mashfeld," according to their own understanding.

Below is the inscription:—

HERE LIES THE BODY OF

M^r. JOHN MALLEFULD.

A FRENCH GENTLEMAN

WHO PASSING THROUGH THIS TOWN
OF SPRINGFIELD SICK AND DYING
BEQUEATHED ALL HIS ESTATE
TO THE POOR OF THE TOWN.

HE DIED NOV. 26, 1711.

PSALM 41. BLESSED IS HE WHO
CONSIDERETH THE POOR.

Not much is known of his history beyond the brief reference to him in the Town Records. It appears, however, from the records of the Probate Court at Northampton, that he was a trader who came here from Boston with his goods, and that he died at the house of Eliakim Cooley, after a sickness of ten days. The monument was brought from Middletown, Conn. At a town meeting held March 10, 1730, it was

"Voted that there be paid out of the Town Treasury to Henry Rogers and Francis Ball the sum of twenty-five shillings for their service in bringing a Tomb Stone to be set up at Mr. Mallifords grave from Middle Town."

The amount of money, goods and personal effects left to the town was £229 12s 7d. The debt to Major Wallie of Boston was £30 1s 4d, and the Frenchman's expenses here, and charges of administration were £33 11s 10d, leaving the town £165 19s 5d, or a little more than \$803.

Mallefuild, or Malleford, whatever was his name, made a statement as to his desire concerning the disposition of his property. John Sherman, the schoolmaster, testified: "Being at the house of Eliakim Cooley, Senr., tending of John Mallefuild, Frenchman, who being sick on his death bed, he being in his right mind, that his will & desire was that all his tenders and those that looked after him should be well satisfied & all charges & debts paid & the remainder he willed to the poor. He died November 26, 1711."

Benjamin Cooley, Jr., testified: "Being with the man above written heard him say that he hoped what estate he had would make satisfaction to those who tended him for he thought they were the nearest unto him."

Daniel Cooley testified to the above writing, he then being present.

At the Probate Court, January 1, 1712, "The above named John Sherman, Daniel Cooley and Benjamin Cooley all appeared and made oath to their respective evidences above written, and do add that the deceased had been a resident in the house above said for the space of ten days before making said will, and that it was in the time of said deceased's last sickness, and that their testimonies were committed to writing within the space of six days after the making of the said will, which is allowed of by the said Court."

The Judge of Probate, Samuel Partridge, appointed John Holyoke, John Miller, Tilly Mirick, Thomas Horton, and John Sherman administrators. When the inventory was returned to the Court the Judge ordered the administrators to

pay over the net proceeds of the estate to the town of Springfield, and that the town should give a bond to the administrators to refund to them the amount received in case any kindred, heirs to the deceased, should appear and make claim to the estate, which order the town complied with.

The inventory which is appended, although of great length, gives an inside view of the nature of the goods used in different households. In it is an early mention of forks. Even in John Pynchon's account books none appear as early as this. Knives, but not forks, were used generally until many years after the New England settlements were begun. As a horse, saddle and pillion appear in the inventory it is evident that the deceased was a travelling merchant or trader, and that he was in the habit of going to the different settlements to dispose of his goods. His collection of books, especially "Sighs from Hell," indicate the theological opinions of that period. Capt. John Pynchon, son of Major John, made the copy of the inventory, which is still on file at Northampton, and for which the town of Springfield paid him five shillings. He was an excellent penman and his orthography is fairly correct, but his "Jeuce Harp," has a flavor of some of the early habits in committing words to writing. The inventory and expense of administration are as follows:—

AN INVENTORY

of the Estate of John Maillefaud, Frenchman, Deceased Nov. 26, 1711.

| | £ | s | d |
|--|----|----|----|
| Province Bills | 09 | 04 | 06 |
| Cash, | 72 | 00 | 00 |
| Bullions, | 04 | 06 | 00 |
| Dollars | 01 | 02 | 06 |
| Pennies & half Pennies | 00 | 06 | 04 |
| Two Peices of Gold valued | 01 | 06 | 04 |
| 12 yards of striped Musline at 8s 6d the yard | 05 | 02 | 00 |
| One peice of Kenting Being eight yards | 01 | 07 | 00 |
| another Peice of Kenting Being eight yards | 01 | 07 | 00 |
| Eight yards of Cambrick | 02 | 03 | 00 |
| Silke alamode: 13 yards & an halfe at seven shillings ye yard | 04 | 14 | 06 |
| One Dozen of Jack Knives: at six pence the Knife | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| One Dozen of Raisors at one shiling & 4 pence the raisor | 00 | 16 | 00 |
| Four Knives & Forks | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| Two Jack knives: 1 shilling: Two Knives & Forks 6 shillings | 00 | 07 | 00 |

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| Six Pen Knives at 5 pence ye Pen Knife | 00 | 02 | 06 |
| One Dozen of Phans at two shillings per Phan | 01 | 04 | 00 |
| Three Jack Knives at 6 pence ye Knife | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| Ten Horn Combs at 6 pence the comb | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Ten Ivory combs at two shillings the comb | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| one Dozen of ivory combs at one shilling & eight pence a comb | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Eleven thousand & three Quarters of Pins at two shillings per thousand | 01 | 03 | 06 |
| Several Sorts of Great Pins Valued | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Six Inkhorns with Pen Knives one shilling & 4 pence a peice | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| Two Pen Knives 10 pence: Half a dozen of ivory combs at 1s 8d a comb | 00 | 10 | 10 |
| Nine ivory combs at one shilling & 3 pence a comb | 00 | 11 | 03 |
| Forty seven thimbles valued at | 00 | 07 | 10 |
| Twenty Pounds & a Quarter of Flax at six pence the pound | 00 | 10 | 01 |
| Five Pound of Bees wax at 12 pence the pound | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| 15 Yards of silke stuffe at 5s & 6 pence the yard | 04 | 02 | 06 |
| Six Yds & a half of silke stuff at 5s & six pence ye yd | 01 | 15 | 00 |
| Two remnants of silke stuffe at 3s ye yard | 02 | 00 | 06 |
| Seven yards & an half of Callico at 5s the yard | 01 | 17 | 06 |
| Five yards of Courser Callico at 3s & 2d the yard | 00 | 15 | 10 |
| Four yds of flowered Blue callico at 3s & 6d ye yard | 00 | 14 | 00 |
| Two yards & three Quarters of speckled linin at 3s 6 pence ye yd | 00 | 09 | 00 |
| Seven yds & a quarter of Blue speckled callico at 4s 6 pence ye yard | 01 | 12 | 01 |
| a remnant of silk stuf | 00 | 15 | 00 |
| Seven yards & an half of silke stuff at 5s 6d ye yd | 02 | 01 | 03 |
| Ten yds & three Quarters of Garlick Holland, 4s ye yd | 02 | 03 | 00 |
| Three yards & an half of striped Musline at 5s ye yd | 00 | 17 | 06 |
| Three Knives & forks | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Five yards of Sliesie Holland at 4s ye yard | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Nine yards of Garlick Holland at 4s 6 pence ye yard | 02 | 00 | 06 |
| 4 yards & three quarters of Musline at 6s the yard | 01 | 08 | 06 |
| 14 yds & three Quarters Musline at 5s 6d the yard | 04 | 00 | 09 |
| 18 yards & three Quarters of musline at 8s the yard | 07 | 10 | 00 |
| a remnant of Blue Callico | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| 49 Silk Handkerchiefs at 5 shilings a Handkerchief | 12 | 05 | 00 |
| 14 Silk Handkerchiefs at 4s & six pence a Peice | 03 | 03 | 00 |
| Twenty three Books at 12 pence a Book | 01 | 03 | 00 |
| Ten Ballets & a looking glass valued at | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Eleven yds of red Flowered ribbon at 3s the yd | 01 | 13 | 00 |
| Ten yards & a Quarter of white Flowered ribbin at 3 shillings ye yard | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| Eight yards & a Quarter of ribbin at 3s the yd | 01 | 04 | 09 |
| Seven yards & a Quarter of ribbin at 3s the yard | 01 | 01 | 09 |
| Nine yards & a Half of Ribbin at 3s the yard | 01 | 08 | 06 |
| Eleven yds & three Quarters of ribbin at 2s 6d a yd | 01 | 09 | 02 |
| Green Streeked ribbin Eleven yards & three Quarters at 6 pence ye yard | 10 | 09 | 03 |
| 13 yds & three Quarters of red ribbin at 2s 6d the yd | 01 | 14 | 03 |
| Flowered white ribbin nine yds 1s 6d the yard | 00 | 13 | 06 |
| 35 yds & a Quarter of narrow red ribbin at 10d the yd | 01 | 09 | 02 |
| 26 yards of red ribbin at 10 pence the yard | 01 | 01 | 08 |
| 5 yards & a Quarter of Green ribbin at 2s the yard | 00 | 10 | 06 |
| one yard & an half of ribbin Prized | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| Three yards & a Quarter of red ribbin | 00 | 01 | 08 |
| Three yards of orange Coloured ribbin | 00 | 02 | 00 |

| | | | |
|---|----|----|----|
| Green ribbin 23 yards at 8 pence the yard | 00 | 15 | 04 |
| Five Peices & an Halfe of tape at 2 shillings a Peice | 00 | 11 | 00 |
| one Pair of woosted Stockens | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| 3 Pair of old woosted Stockens at 3 shillings the pr | 00 | 09 | 00 |
| a new Fine shirt 10s, Nine ounces of nutmegs 18s | 01 | 08 | 00 |
| Five ounces of mace at 3s & 2d the ounce | 00 | 15 | 10 |
| Nine Peices & a Halfe of narrow tape | 00 | 11 | 08 |
| Eighteen two penny boxes | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| Knetting needles one Pound & a Hali & three ounces | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Two peices of tape at 2s per Peice | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| Three thousand of Pins at 2 shillings the thousand | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| 5 ounces of thread at 2s & six pence the ounce | 00 | 12 | 06 |
| one Peice of narrow tape 2s, a Few fine Pins 1s | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| 80 aul Blades 6s, an ounce & Quarter of molair 3s | 00 | 09 | 00 |
| Three Dozen of Belmettle Buttons at 7d the dozen | 00 | 01 | 09 |
| 8 ounces of sowing silke | 01 | 02 | 03 |
| 13 Pair of little Black Beads | 00 | 01 | 01 |
| Four Pair of washleather Gloves at 3s the Pair | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| Eighteen Hatbands 4 pence the hatband | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| 50 needles round & square, 2s, a Quire of Paper 1s 4d | 00 | 03 | 04 |
| one Peice of Blue Ferriting | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| 8 round short silke laces | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| 9 long round silke laces | 00 | 13 | 00 |
| Three dozen of Flat silke laces at 10s the dozen | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| 14 Black & red silke laces | 00 | 14 | 00 |
| Three dozen & ten thread laces | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| Six dozen of long thread laces | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| Twenty one silke tape laces at 9 pence the lace | 00 | 15 | 08 |
| 4 Hundred sowing needles at 3 shillings the hundred | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| Seven silke laces at 10 pence the lace | 00 | 05 | 10 |
| 15 yards of red silke Ferriting at 4d the yard | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| one hundred & twenty square needles | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Sixty round Stocken needles | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| Several sorts of Fine needles | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| 19 yards of red woosted Ferriting at 3d the yard | 00 | 04 | 09 |
| 27 yds of Green woosted Ferriting at 3d the yd | 00 | 07 | 09 |
| 18 yards of woosted Binding | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| 8 yards of red woosted Ferriting at 3 pence the yard | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| a Peice of smal cap wire 1 shilling, a Few Fish Hooks | | | |
| 1 shilling | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| 5 Jeuce Harps 1s, 14 silke rideing Girdles 7s | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| 9 Pair of sizers at six pence the Pair | 00 | 04 | 06 |
| a Pair of Shoe Buckels 6d, a Pair of money seals 6s | 00 | 06 | 06 |
| linen thread 8 pence, scales & weights | 00 | 02 | 08 |
| Half an ounce of Fine thread 1s 3 pence, amber Beads | 00 | 07 | 03 |
| 4 rairsors 8 shillings & a hone 4 shillings | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| Two leather Bags & two linnin Bags | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| a Port mantle locke 1s, 4 Bags & wallets, 5s | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| a Saddle & Bridle & Maile Pillion | 00 | 16 | 00 |
| an Iron Gray Horse | 03 | 10 | 00 |
| a Port mantle & the lock & Chain | 00 | 16 | 00 |
| One Booke | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| a great coate 8 shillings, a Double Breasted Coat 6s | 00 | 14 | 00 |
| a coate 18 shillings, a Jackcoate 12 shillings | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| a wastecoate 10 s, a Pair of leather Breeches 8s | 00 | 18 | 00 |
| a Pair of Gloves 1s & 3d, a Hat 10 shillings | 00 | 11 | 03 |
| a Pair of Gloves 1s & three pence, a Hat 10s | 00 | 11 | 03 |
| an old Hat 2s, and two old shirts 3 shillings | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Two old neckcloaths | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| Four old Handkerchiefs | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Three old silke Handkerchiefs | 00 | 04 | 06 |

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|--|----|----|----|
| Three old linen Handkerchiefs | 00 | 04 | 06 |
| a remnant of callico 1s 6d, a remnant of linen 6d | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Three Pair of old Stockens at 3 shillings the Pair | 00 | 09 | 00 |
| Two Pairs of shoes | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| a Remnant of Kenting | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| a Pair of Jackboots | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Eleven iron handled Jack knives 7d per Knife | 00 | 06 | 05 |
| Ten little Knives | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Five leather Glast inkhorns | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Four horn inkhorns at 10 pence a peace | 00 | 03 | 04 |
| Eight tobacca tongues at 6 pence a peace | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| Three dozen & one of thimbles at 2d ye thimble | 00 | 06 | 02 |
| 3 Graters, valued | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| 14 Pair of Smal Knitting needles | 00 | 02 | 04 |
| 18 Pair of Greater Knitting needles | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| 14 yards of Gartering at 6 pence ye yard | 00 | 07 | 00 |
| 2 Dozens & two Buttons at 1s 6 pence ye dozen | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| 10 Pair of Shoe Buckles at 12 pence ye Pair | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Eleven Pair of Shoe Buckles at | 00 | 11 | 00 |
| a Prospect Glass | 00 | 00 | 06 |
| 12 ounces of nutmegs at 2s ye ounce | 01 | 04 | 00 |
| a Yard & three Quarters of Blue Callico | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| 4 Yards & a Quarter of Speckled Callico | 00 | 14 | 00 |
| a Couple of Peices of Beeswax | 00 | 00 | 08 |
| a Pair of old stockens | 00 | 01 | 00 |

BOOKS ENTITLED

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| Joy of Faith, three Books | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| Thirsty Sinners invited to christ, two books | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| The Best Friend Standing at the door, two books | 00 | 02 | 08 |
| Spiritual Disertions, two Books | 00 | 01 | 08 |
| Pray always, two books, | 00 | 01 | 08 |
| Tokens for children, three Books | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| Willards inneral Sermons, eight Books | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| Jeneways life, six Books, | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| Sighs from hell, four Books | 00 | 05 | 04 |
| Meditations on death, two Books | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Spiritual Treasure, one Book | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| The Knowledge of God the Creatour, By Calvine, | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| The Poor Mans Family Book, By Baxter | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| a lattin Bible | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Englands Perfect Schoolmaster By Strong | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| Hodders arithmetick Book | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| 4 lattin Books | 00 | 04 | 06 |
| Meditations on the Glory of Christ, one Book | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| Justification by Mr willard, one Book | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| a Glimpse of Glory, one Book | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| the Disciple concerning himself, owning his lord, one Book | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| The Blessed hope, one Book | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Primitive Christians, two books | 00 | 01 | 08 |
| Mans Worse Carriage to God than one another, two Books | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Practical truth to Promote holiness, one Book | 00 | 00 | 10 |
| Christian religion, one book | 00 | 00 | 10 |
| Psalms to Be sung with Grace in the heart, one book | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| a little Book for little Children | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Sir Francis Bacons assays, one Book | 00 | 05 | 00 |

EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION.

An Account of Charges for taking the Inventory of the Estate of Mr. Mallifaud Deceased Frenchman being taken by Dr. Sherman, Mr. Thomas Ingersol & Mr. Luke Hitchcock, Sen.:-

| | | | |
|---|----|----|----|
| To Mr. Luke Hitchcock for victuals & Chamber room | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| Expenses at Mr. Ingersoles house for victuals & drink | 0 | 12 | 6 |
| To Mr. Luke Hitchcock for three days Prizing | 0 | 06 | 0 |
| To Mr. Tho. Ingersole three days prizing | 0 | 06 | 0 |
| To Tilly Mirick three days | 0 | 06 | 0 |
| To John Miller three days | 0 | 06 | 0 |
| To Tho Horton one day & an half | 0 | 03 | 0 |
| To Mr. Holioko half a day | 0 | 01 | 0 |
| To Sergt Cooley for his time with the Judge | 0 | 02 | 0 |
| Eliakim Cooleys charges | 3 | 10 | 0 |
| Tenders & Watchers Charges | 2 | 08 | 0 |
| Funeral & Doctors charges | 6 | 04 | 0 |
| To Tilly Mirick for his charges about funeral and two days going to the Meadow | 0 | 07 | 0 |
| To the Register | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| To Samuel Hitchcock & Jonathan Cooley | 0 | 01 | 04 |
| To Tilly Mirick & John Millers Journeys to the Judge | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| To Tilly Mirick Entertainment of administrators | 0 | 08 | 0 |
| To five administrators | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| To Dr. Sherman & Tilly Mirick Copying & comparing the Inventory | 0 | 04 | 0 |
| To administrators, Mr. Holioko John Miller & John Sherman | 0 | 09 | 0 |
| To Tilly Mirick for a meeting at his house | 0 | 04 | 0 |
| To Mr. Holioko & John Miller | 0 | 06 | 0 |
| To Dr. Sherman | 0 | 01 | 6 |
| To Tilly Merick for taking the Inventory | 0 | 01 | 0 |
| To John Miller & Tilly Mirick paying the Debts | 0 | 08 | 0 |
| To three days Delivering the goods | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| To loss in measuring with a shorter yard than at first | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| To Tilly Mirick Going down Countrey for Debts | 4 | 00 | 0 |
| To Sergt Cooley for keeping the horse | 0 | 06 | 6 |
| The Debt to Maj. Wallie at Boston | 30 | 01 | 4 |
| To Thomas Horton for one day in Delivering goods | 0 | 02 | 0 |
| John Sherman 4 days delivering goods | 0 | 08 | 0 |
| To Tilly Mirick & John Sherman to Half day at Boston to pay Mr. Wallie & to seek for more of the deceaseds estate | 0 | 02 | 0 |
| To allowing & recording this account | 0 | 06 | 0 |
| To allowance to Tilly Mirrick on waiting on the Judge at Northampton to pass this account | 0 | 09 | 0 |

After the proceeds of the estate were turned over to the town, at a meeting held April 11, 1712, it was "Voted that Mr. Thomas Ingersol shall have the whole sum of money and goods mentioned in the inventory of the estate of John Mashfield, late deceased, for the term of one year, said Ingersol then paying the whole sum according to the inventory in money, and he also paying the lawful interest for the money part, provided also said Ingersol give sufficient security for the whole to the Town of Springfield."

Four years later, November 2, 1716, the town "Voted to recover the Bond which the Town have of Thomas Ingersol, and that if the bond be not revived by the first of February the Selectmen shall sue it out."

It would appear that Thomas Ingersol secured his son David Ingersol and Tilly Mirrick as endorsers of his bond to the town, for on January 6, 1724, the Town "Voted that the Selectmen be impowered to receive of Major John Pynchon the Bond that Tilly Mirick & David Ingersol gave the Selectmen. Voted that if David Ingersol & Tilly Mirick do not pay to the Selectmen what Interest money is due to the Town from said Ingersol & said Mirick, the first day of July, 1724, then the Selectmen Doe Sue out said Ingersol & Miricks Bond." June 30, 1727, it was "Voted that the money be called in which is due to the Town by the Bond from Tilly Mirick and Thomas Ingersol."

March 12, 1728, is this: "To resolve whether the Town will accept of the sureties that have given bond for the money that belongs to the poor of the Town."

At the same meeting it was "Voted that the security that was given by Thomas Ingersol for the money that belongs to the poor of the Town be accepted."

The next record concerning the money is under date of May 15, 1732, when it was "Voted that the money outstanding in the Hands of Thomas Ingersol and David Ingersol be still continued in their hands, provided they give further security to the Treasurer of the Town for the same, the said Treasurer taking advice of the Selectmen, and that the same be forthwith done."

Just what was the next proceeding is indefinitely stated, but on August 25, 1732, it was "Voted that the Treasurer of the said Town taking the advice of the Selectmen deliver up Daniel Baggs and Thomas Ingersols bond to the said Town, taking the bond of Pelatiah Hitchcock in lieu thereof."

There is nothing in the records of the first century showing what finally became of this fund. Whether it passed to Hitchcock when his bond was accepted instead of Daniel

Bagg's and Thomas Ingersol's, it is not known. As no such fund is mentioned in much later records the inference is that the town lost it through loans to those who were unable to repay it. Writers of local history have made no mention of the Frenchman's bequest and the silent tombstone has been his only memorial, but his good intentions entitle him to more than a passing mention, as this was the first gift to the town in support of the poor, or for any other purpose.

Only a few headstones were erected at graves of the first generation, not from indifference, but from the great difficulty of getting suitable material of which to make them. Red sandstone was first used. As the town obtained the stone for Mr. Mallefuid's grave at Middletown, it is presumed others did the same. At Northampton stone was obtained from Mount Tom for similar purposes. A few headstones erected to the second generation are occasionally seen in various cemeteries, but they are more frequently noticed at the graves of the third generation.

The accompanying engraving is of a headstone erected at the grave of Capt. Samuel Terry in the Enfield cemetery, a son of Samuel, the immigrant ancestor. Capt. Terry was a man of marked ability and usefulness in the new settlement of Enfield. The engraving is from a photograph by Mr. H. W. Terry of Springfield, taken in 1898.



Capt. Terry's Tombstone.

THE BEGINNING OF THE EDUCATION OF JOHN PYNCHON'S SONS.

In the beginning of all the New England towns, and especially here in Springfield, there was need of better instruction than some of the children received, but the want was sup-

plied as fast as circumstances would admit. John Pynchon sent both of his sons, Joseph and John, to Mr. Corlett in Cambridge. Joseph was sent there when he was only nine years old, and John a little later when he was about the same age. The following from the Pynchon account books shows the price of board and of instruction, and how the payments were made:—

Aprill ye 11th, 1654. I left my son Joseph at board with Goodman Beale of Cambridge, whom I am to allow for his tabling £ 10 Pr annum.

| | £ | s | d |
|---|----|----|----|
| Aprill 17th, 1654. Paid Goodman Beale in monny | 2 | 10 | 00 |
| Aprill 31, 1654. Pd him in monny | 1 | 00 | 00 |
| October, 1654 Sent him from Mr. Peck of New Haven | | | |
| 2 firkins of butter weighed neat 57 lbs a peice | 2 | 17 | 00 |
| Ye 2 firkins | 0 | 03 | 06 |
| Pd in cloth by Bro Davis | 2 | 10 | 00 |
| Pd by my Bro Davis in monny | 1 | 00 | 00 |
| <hr/> | | | |
| In all for a years Tabling | 10 | 00 | 00 |
| 31th of August, 1655 Pd Goodm: Beale 6 yds of fine | | | |
| Searge at 6s 8d pr yd | 2 | 00 | 00 |
| Pd in monny 20s, more in monny | 2 | 00 | 00 |
| In wampum | 0 | 00 | 00 |
| Aprill 11th 1654. Joseph Pynchon went to school wth Mr Corlett: | | | |
| Aprill 17th 1654. Pd Mr Corlet toward Josephs school- | | | |
| ing in money | 0 | 10 | 00 |
| By my Bro Davis | 1 | 00 | 00 |
| more by my Bro Davis | 1 | 00 | 00 |
| Pd by 20 bushels of wheate | 4 | 10 | 00 |

£4 of it goes for Josephs 2 years schooling to May 1656, & so there is £3 onward to Joseph & Johns next year.

The closing year of the first century shows the progress that was made in educating the children. The entire amount raised for all town charges was not far from £200, out of which, in 1735, there was appropriated £147 for support of the schools, about three-fourths of the whole amount raised.

EARLY MENTIONED LOCALITIES.

Chicopee, Willimansett, Skipmuck, Schonunganuck Falls, Paucatuck, Aschanunsuck, Pecowsick, Watchuet, Messacsick, Pequit, and some others, not well defined localities, are all Indian names. The spelling of these names as written in the records, is not always alike.

Other names, some of which are still familiar, were originated within a comparatively short period after the first set-

tlement. Sixteen Acres was evidently so named from the amount of meadow in one piece. It appears quite early in the records. The valuation list of 1685 mentions various localities as given below:—

- Achanunsuck.—North side of Agawam River.
- Bark Hall.—In Longmeadow.
- Block Bridge.—Over Block Brook, about a mile west of Mitteneague.
- Chicopee Field.—Sometimes applied to the locality now known as Chicopee Street.
- Chicopee Plain.—In West Springfield, opposite Chicopee. This has in some instances been mentioned as Chicopee Field.
- Cold Spring.—In West Springfield, north of the present location of the Boston and Albany Railroad shops.
- Cranberry Pond.—Not well defined.
- Crooked Point.—North end of the field that was formerly known as the Cow Pasture, north of Brightwood.
- End Brook.—North of Hampden Park, running into the Connecticut.
- Garden Brook.—Running into End Brook. Not early named.
- Higher Brook.—About a mile and a half east of Skipmuck and a half mile east of the present village of Chicopee Falls.
- Hogpen Dingle.—From St. James Avenue, near its junction with the Morgan road, westerly across Liberty Street, then northwest.
- House Meadow.—The meadow south of Agawam River, where it used to run into the "Great River." The first house was built there about 1636.
- Grape Swamp.—In Longmeadow.
- Longmeadow Brook.
- Lower Field.—
- Moheag Path.—
- New Field.—
- Nonesuch.—West side of the "Great River."
- Old Brick Kilns.—
- Old Slough.—
- Paucatuck.—West of Block Brook. Paucatuck Brook runs through Bear Hole Valley.
- Pikle.—A dingle near the "X" and near the present Forest Park.
- Saw Mill Brook.—
- Schonunganuck.—The falls at Chicopee Falls.
- Skipmuck.—About one mile east of the present village of Chicopee Falls.
- Stony Brook.—
- Swan Pond.—
- The Lower Neck.—
- The Neck.—North of the lower mouth of Agawam River.
- The Plain.—
- Two Brooks.—West of the "Great River," south of Chicopee Plain.
- Two Mile Gutter.—
- Three Corner Meadow.—Hampden Park.
- Third Division.—
- Three Mile Brook.—
- The Ponds Toward Hadley.—Slabbery Pond and Slipe Pond, the latter partly in what was Hadley and partly in Chicopee.
- Thompson's Dingle.—
- Upper Falls.—Now Holyoke.
- Upper Meadow.—
- Watchuet.—Watchuet Hill, by "Pacowseke."
- Wheel Meadow.—In Longmeadow.
- World's End.—Near Mill River.

To the preceding should be added Watchoge, in the vicinity of the Watershops. Watchuet was not far from the same locality. Pequit Path is also frequently mentioned. This name probably came from an Indian trail to the settlement of the Pequot Indians. Squawtree Dingle is the ravine that begins near the intersection of St. James Avenue with State Street, and extends northerly towards the Boston and Albany railroad. It is crossed by Worthington Street.

BILLS OF CREDIT.

When wampum failed to be a circulating medium of exchange, Indian corn, wheat and other grains, took its place. Then as the settlements multiplied those products of the farm were too great to maintain a uniform price. Following these conditions the General Court authorized Bills of Credit. These were issued to the various towns, to be placed on real estate loans at five per cent interest. These served for a time to facilitate business transactions. Springfield had its share, the town retaining one per cent for transacting the business, making the loans and collecting the interest. Frequent mention of Bills of Credit will be found towards the close of the official transactions in this volume.

SALE OF THE MINISTRY LANDS.

So far as has been ascertained some portions of the ministry lands, first granted to Rev. George Moxon, remained unchanged in title for a longer period than any other grant. The lot near the present Vernon Street, which was given to Mr. Moxon, and on his departure purchased by the town, "to remain for the use of the ministry forever," was occupied by the different ministers of the First Parish till 1806, when it was sold under an act of the General Court. Rev. Samuel Osgood was the first minister of the First Parish, to live in another locality. At Northampton the meadow lands granted to the town for the use of the ministry still remain in the possession of the First Parish of that town, and that is probably the only piece in this part of the State that has an unbroken title.

RECORDS OF THE TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD.

[In the handwriting of Elizur Holyoke.]

Springfeild Decemb^r y^e 30th Anno Dm 1664.

Att a Meeting of y^e Inhabitants of Springfeild, being a Legall Towne Meeting by warning from the Select Men.

It was voted concluded & ordered, Seeing the booke that from the foundation of this Plantation hath been the Towne booke, is filled with Writings And there beeing necessity of another booke for entering the Acts of the Town, That therefore this Book shalbe the Towne Booke for entering of Such things as are of publique concernment to this Township, vizt Orders for regulating the Townes affaires, as also grants of lands or any other acts of the Towne:

In Order whereunto the Town did note & determine that All the Orders in y^e old Booke shalbe publiquely read & examined: and such former Orders which are of a generall nature, & which shall now be judged Suitable, convenient, & necessary to stand in force shalbe transcribed in this New Booke: Which worke of examining former Orders, The Towne accordingly proceeded in; And doe confirme & establish the Orders here following, w^{ch} are to be duely observed by this Towne of Springfeild.

Imp^r: It is unanimously resolved agreed & by a joynt vote Ordered & determined, That the first Tuesday in february yeerly shalbe a generall Town Meeting day, & that the Inhabitants of this Towne shall & will meete & Assemble together yeerely hereafter [III—2.] on the first Tuesday in february for Election and choyce of Towne Officers & for Orderinge & carryng on the Gen^ll Affaires of the Towne. On w^{ch} day from yeare to yeare, All the severall Inhabitants of this Towne wthout expectinge any further Order or warning, may & hereby are desired to give their psonall attendance together for their better acquaintance wth matters

of Gen^ll concernment to the Towne: And as for those persons who by Law have liberty of voting in Towne affaires & of acting in choyce of Town Officers, if they shall not p^rsonally attend this Gen^ll Town Meeting, vizt on the first Tuesday in ffebr, as aforesaid; It is ordered that every such p^rson absent at y^e tyme of calling their Names or that shall afterwards absent himselfe wthout consent of the Moderator or Major part of the Assembly shall pay two shillings to y^e Towne Treasury unless his or their excuse or reason for such absence shall wthin one week after the said Towne Meeting be allowed & accounted as sufficient by the judgm^t of the Select men: And that this fyne of two shillings for mens absence from this Meetinge may be the better gathered for the Townes use, the Select men are to adde it to every mans rate vizt theirs who have not upon sufficient reason been discharged of it wthin one weeke after the Towne Meetinge as aforesaid:

And that there may be opportunity for all persons defective as to attending this Towne Meetinge to declare their excuses to y^e Select men, & to have their judgm^t in Season before the weeke be expired: It is Ordered for this & other necessary occasions that the Select men shall alwayes in a Standing Course from yeare to yeare meete together on the next Munday after their election at y^e Gen^ll Towne Meeting, as aforesaid to consider of the Towne affaires proper to their Cognizance:

And the tyme of y^e day for beginning this Gen^ll Towne Meeting in ffebr yeerly shall be at Nine of the clock in the Morninge precisely.

[III---3.]

And for the carrying on of all Towne meetings called at any tyme by the Select Men,

It is Ordered that when soever there shalbe notice given to the Inhabitants by the Select Men or any in their behalfe of some necessary occasion wherein the Select Men desire to advise with the Towne; And the day, tyme & place of meeting, be appoynted, if then the Inhabitants refuse or neglect

to meet as they are warned, yet when the tyme of meetinge is come, it shalbe lawfull if Thirteene of the Inhabitants (who by law may act & vote in Towne affaires) be Assembled for them to proceed in agitation & conclusion of what soever busyness is then & there propounded to them: And what the Major part of them shall agree upon shalbe taken as the act of the Whole Towne & bynding to All:

And because it is expected & desired that All the Inhabitants should attend such Meetinges soe appoynted, It shall therefore be lawfull if eyther the Moderator or Major part of the Select Men be come (for such meetings) for Him or Them to take notice of the Absence of every Inhabitant (who by law may vote in Towne affaires) & to fine them Six pence a peece for such their absence: w^{ch} fynes the Select Men are to adde to such p'sons next rate that it may be gathered wth it for the use of the Towne; unless the ground of such p'sons absence, shall wthin One week be allowed of, by the Select Men:

And It is further Ordered that if any man be taken notice of by the Moderator in y^e tyme of any such meeting to absent himself wthout leave of the Moderator such p'son or p'sons for every such disord^r taken notice of & entered shall pay Six pence to be by the Select Men added to their next rate & gathered wth it for the Townes use:

And It is further Ordered that in case Thirteene p'sons be Assembled according to tyme appoynted for any Ordinary Town Meeting & yet cannot begin the Meetinge because neither the Moderator nor Select Men are come, [III—4.] In case the Moderator or Select Men being absent unnecessarily, shall pay twelve pence a peece to be added to their next rates & gathered therewth for y^e Townes use.

And It is further Ordered in reference to Ordinary Towne Meetings, that there shalbe given to the Inhabitants three dayes warning thereof, that is to say the day of warning though it be but in y^e Evening, to be accounted for One & the day of appearance for another: Soe that One day being betweene it shall be accounted sufficient warning: And it is

Ordered that Towne Meeting warned by the Constable accordinge to Law in August yeerly shalbe accounted Legall Towne Meeting for any Towne Affaires, provided there be thirteene of the Inhabitants present: And the Meeting house shalbe the place of all Towne Meetings unless notice be given for any meetinge to be at some other place.

It is Ordered that at the Gen^ll Town meetinge in ffebr, yearely, there shalbe a Moderator chosen who shall stand as Moderator not only for that day but for all the Towne Meetings the yeare ensueing: And the Moderator shall alwayes be chosen by papers and first at the beginning of the Meeting (before any other Towne Officers,) whose work shalbe to Order tymes of Speech & silence, to put things to Vote, & to regulate all proceedings in Town Meetings; that disorders may be prevented: And in case of his absence at any tyme in any Towne Meeting, the Select men are to agree who among themselves shall supply his place at such Meeting wherein he shall be absent.

It is Ordered that there shalbe yeerly a choyce made of a certayne number of the Inhabitants of this Towne, for Ordering the Prudentiall affaires of the Towne. Who according to the tearmes in the Law are Stiled Select Men: And that these Select Men shall yearely be chosen by papers: Whose worke & power shalbe as nextly followeth:

[III—5.]

The Select Men of this Towne are to take care what in them lyeth for the gen^ll Welfare of the Towne: More particularly,

They have power & liberty to make Orders that are of a Prudentiall nature, wherein they are to heed the gen^ll good of the Towne, and Such Orders made by them as they apprehend are for the gen^ll good, they may annex penaltyes thereunto according to Law, w^{ch} penaltyes they are carefully to exact & recover for the Townes use from such of the Inhabitants as shall neglect or refuse to observe them: Also they have the power of admission of Inhabitants from abroad to this Towne, the Towne reposing great trust in them there-

in that they will well consider whom they admitt. They are also to dispose of Single persons & inmates in the Towne as they shall see cause: Also to Order the hearing of Cattle, And the makeinge of Rates, also to settle the Comon high wayes of the Towne, & to determine any difference about them: Also to dispose of any appropriated land, that is, to lett it out for rent which they may doe for One & Twenty yeeres or less tyme as they shall see cause & judge most advantagious to the Towne: As also to dispose of any of the estate of the Towne (w^{ch} shall lye unimproved at any tyme,) they may lett or sett out for tyme, a yeare or yeares, if they shall judge it best for the good of the Town. And What ever they judge conducing to the Welfare of the Towne, being proper to their cognizance they are to act therein & Order the same according to their best wisdome & discretion:

[III—6.]

It is ordered & concluded that the Select Men shall from year to yeare uppon y^e Gen^ll Towne Meeting day in ffbruary cleare their accounts to the Towne: And before they shalbe accounted discharged of their trust they shall See performed such workes as for the Towne they have taken in hand though their yeere be expired: And they shall take care to satisfy & pay such debts as are due from y^e Towne to p^ticular persons, w^{ch} debts they are to discharge by making a Town rate for y^t purpose, if they have not otherwise of the Townes estate in their hands to doe it. And therefore they are also to gather in such debts as are due to the Town & to be paid wthin their yeere.

And it is further ordered that the Gen^ll Town Meetinge in ffbruary yearly at the beginninge of the Meetinge next after the choyce of the Moderator there shalbe chosen a Committee of Two able persons to examine the accounts that the Select Men bring in about Publique charges that concerne this Towne, before the Select Men be dismissed their places, And Soe to perfect their accounts according to righteousness, that the Towne may understand their true

state one way or the other What they owe or what is owinge to them:

It is Ordered that Every yeere there shalbe Some Meete Man chosen at the Gen^ll Towne Meeting in ffebruary to the place or office of Clarke or Recorder for the Towne; Whose work shalbe faythfully & truly to record & enter Town Ord^s Grants of land & all Aggreem^s & Acts of y^e Towne or Select Townes Men who shall also observ to keepe & enter in a book for that purpose a true account of all dues arising to the Towne by penaltyes annexed to the breaches of Town Ord^s or otherwise: And also keepe a true account of all [III—7.] the just expences & debts of the Towne, that from him the Towne or Select Men may know how to act in making of rates or other wise: And therefore the Record^r shall upon all occasions deliver to the Select Men a true transcript thereof out of his booke, that soe all dues & penaltyes payable to the Towne may be seasonably looked after.

It is Ordered & declared that when any man shalbe fairly & cleerly chosen to any office or place of service in & to the Towne, if then he shall refuse to accept the place or shall afterwards neglect to serve in that office to which he shalbe chosen, Every such p^{son} shall pay 20^s fyne unto the Towne Treasury for such refusall or neglect, unless he had Served in that office the yeare before, noe p^{son} to be compelled to serve two yeares together in the Same Office, except Select Men, two whereof if chosen agayne are to stand two yeeres together that Soe there may be always Some of the Old Select Men in that place, who are acquaynted wth the Towne affaires joyning wth the New:

It is ordered th^t the Choyce of the Constable shalbe after this manner: The Constable whose tyme is expired before he is dismiss his place shall Nominate Two Men for y^t Office, and the Towne Comision^rs or Cheife Civill power in Towne shall Nominate one or two more; the w^{ch} Three or foure if ffoure be nominated, Shall be put to vote, and he that hath most votes shalbe Constable for y^e yeare ensueing: Who by the Country Law is lyable to 5^l fyne for refusall of the Office. [III—8.]

ffor the prevention of Sundry evils that may befall this Township through ill disposed persons that may thrust themselves in amongst us ag^t the likeinge & consent of the generality of the Inhabitants or Select Townsmen by purchasing a lott or place for habitation or otherwise.

It is therefore Ordered & declared that no Inhabitant shall sell or in any manner pass away his house lott or any part of it or any other of his allotm's or any part thereof to any Stranger, before he hath made the Select Townsmen acquaintted who his Chapman is, and they accordingly allow of his admission for an Inhabitant, under penalty of paying twenty shillings to the Town Treasury for each p[']cell of land Soe sold, or of forfeiting his land Soe Sold or passed away: But if the Select Townsmen shall app[']hend they have grounds to disallow of y^e admission of the said Chapman then the Towne or Inhabitants shall have 30 dayes tyme to resolve whether They or any of them will buy the said allotm[']s or accomodations, w^{ch} said allotm[']s or accomodations they may buy as indifferent partyes shall apprise them: But in case the Inhabitants shall delay to make a purchase of the said lands above 30 dayes after the propounding of it to the Select Townsmen, then the said Seller shall have his liberty to take his Chapman, & Such Chapman or Stranger shalbe esteemed as entertayned & allowed of by y^e Towne as an Inhabitant:

It is Ordered, That if any man of this Township, or any Proprietor of land in the Towne or any that shall or may dispose of land here, shall under colour of friendship or otherwise entertayne any person or persons, here to abide as Inmates or shall subdivide their house lotts or any other of their lotts to entertayne them as Tenar s or otherwise for longer tyme then One Month or 30 dayes wthout consent or allowance of the Select men (children or servants of the family that remayne single p[']sons excepted) shall forfeit for the first default 20^s to y^e Towne: [III—9.] And also he shall forfeit 20^s p month that every person or persons shall Soe continue in this Township wthout the consent of the Select Men. And if in tyme of their abode in the Town after the

limitation abovesaid they shall need releife, not beinge able to maynteyne themselves, then he or they that entertayned such p'sons shalbe liable to be rated by the Select Men for the releife and mayntenance of the said party or parties soe entertayned as the Select Men in their discretion shall judge meete: And it is further Ordered that noe person that is a Stranger shall be entertayned in this Township wthout leave obtayned (vizt y^e Select Men) longer then One Month or 30 dayes: Soe that if he have beene in the Towne one Month No Inhabitant may entertayne him a day longer wthout leave as aforesaid on penalty of forfeiting 20^s for the first default, & 20s p Month for soe long as they shall entertayne such p'son or p'sons: And moreover if such person or persons shall need releife during their abode in the Towne then he or they that entertayne them shalbe rated according to the discretion of the Select Men for the releife & maintenance of such person or persons:

And Whereas it is found by expiencie That some persons doe disorderly thrust themselves into this Towne, And ag^t the likening of the Select Men have here continued & abode, notwthstanding all former Ord^rs made to prevent such practice, It is therefore further Ordered That from henceforth that What person soever shall intrude himselfe into this Towne without the consent of the Major part of y^e Select Men & shall presume here to continue & abide longer than One Month or 30 dayes after notice given him by any of the Select Men or their Order of their unwillingness that hee should abide in the Towne: Such person or [III—10.] persons hee or shee that shall soe continue in the Towne, ag^t the consent of the Select Men or the Major part of them, shall for the first offence pay 20^s. And if afterward they shall still abide in the Towne wthout allowance as aforesaid they shall pay 20^s p Month for every Month they shall here abide contrary to this Ord^r: Which penalty shalbe due, exacted & paid, in to y^e Town Treasury:

Whereas the Countrey Law Enacts that noe house or Cottage w^{ch} shall enjoy any priviledges of the Comons w^{ch} shalbe

sett up in any Township wthout consent of the Towne: This Towne doth therefore impower order & depute the Select Men from tyme to tyme in the Name & on the behalfe of the Towne to allow or disallow according to their discretion any such buildings.

Observation being taken of a great neglect in many persons, in not bounding of their lands by sufficient markes, w^{ch} neglect may occasion much trouble in future tymes if not speedily p^rvented, It is therefore Ordered that every proprietor of land, whose land is not fenced in particular, but lye in comon wth others shall take care that before the last of Aprill next, there be sett on each side of his land, at least two good Stones full a foot above ground, or elce in the stead of stones a trench of three foote long & two foote wide & a foote & halfe deepe, (the stones or trench to be set or made exactly in y^e front & reare of each p[']cell of land) On penalty of paying five shillings for each distinct p[']cell of land w^{ch} shall not be bounded as aforesaid by the last of Aprill next the five shillings is to be borne by them both: one to pay the one [III—II.] And if both partyes whose lands joyne together be found defective by their neglect, then the said fyne of five snillings is to be borne by them both: one to pay the one halfe & the other the other halfe according as the Select Men shall judge: And that none may sett their bounds themselves to the offence of their Neighbors they are to require those y^t joyne upon them to goe wth them according to the Country Law:

It being judged needfull in Sundry respects that each Inhabitant should have the severall p[']cells of his land recorded, It is therefore Ordered that every p[']ticular Inhabitant of this Township shall repayer to the Record^r, who is chosen & ap-
 poynted by the Towne for y^t and & purpose, who will upon Information given him by each p[']son of his severall p[']cells of land, the number of acres wth the length & breadth of the said allottmt^s, & who are bordering on each side of him shall by vertue of his Office fairly record each parcell of land wth the limits bounds & scituation thereof in a booke for that

purpose: ffor w^{ch} his paynes the owner of the said lands shall pay unto the Recorder Two pence for each parcell of his lands Soe Recorded: And if any persons shall neglect the Recording of his lands longer then Six months after y^e Grant thereof, he shalbe liable to a fine of 5^s p parcell for every parcell of his land that is not then Recorded: And if after that he shall neglect to Record his land, he shall pay 12^d p Month for every monthes neglect of any p^{cell}: And all Ancient Grants are to be Recorded by the last of May next upon y^e like penalty:

And for all alterations, exchanges, or alienations of land any way, one man with another, the Recorder is to be allowed 4^d p parcell for his labor in Recording them.

[III—12.]

There being a question propounded vizt Whether Men should enjoy all the lands wthin the bounds laid out to them by the Measurer though it were more Number of acres then were granted to them:

It was voted resolved & concluded that where any man's first & proper bounds of his lands was cleare and manifest & wthout alteration he should have & enjoy all the land wthin such bounds though more number of acres then was recorded to him were wthin such bounds: provided it should no wayes intrench upon or wrong his Neighbo^r or Neighbors y^t should ly next him of his or their due quantity & portion of land: And w^t ever Overplus is found in any mans land it is to be brought into rates:

It is Ordered that Whosoever of this Township shall fall any trees in the Town Comons, his falling of them though he have bestowed noe other work upon them shall give him right to them for Six months Soe y^t noe other p^{son} shall meddle wth any Such fallen tree or trees, till 6 months are expired after the falling of them: But for tymbber y^t is cross cut or fire wood y^t is cutt out & sett on heapes rayles or clefts, or pales, these may lye 6 months more after they are soe cross cutt or cloven (by the first faller) besides the first 6 months before that any other man shall meddle wth them:

And it is declared that he w^{ch} felled the trees may take his own tyme for cross cutting of the tymber or cleaving bolts rayles or pales or setting the firewood on heapes, provided he doe it before the first 6 monthes be expired, & the faller having bestowed such work on the trees y^t he felled though he did it at the tyme of falling them: Such Work as aforesaid shall give him right to such tree or trees for 12 months from his first tyme of falling them: And after that tyme limited, It shalbe Lawfull for any Man to take them: And for such tymber as becomes forfeited as aforesaid at Six Months after falling for want of such further work as is before expressed, Whosoever shall ceaze upon it as forfeited if he fetch it not presently away home, but bestow Work [III—13.] upon it in the woods by cleaving it out into rayles pales or the like, Such worke shall give him right to it for one whole month after Soe y^t it shall not be lawfull for any man to take it or any part of it till one Month after, and then it may be lawfull for any person to take it: And in case any person shalbe found to take away or convert to his own use, any trees tymber or firewood &c as aforesaid before the tyme above limited, he shalbe liable to make satisfaction to y^e owner in kind or otherwise to his content; And shall also forfeit ten shillings to the Towne Treasury, for every parcell of tymber railes bolts firewood or trees that he shall soe disorderly take away & convert to his own use.

It is Ordered that whosoever shall take away or make use of any mans Cannow or boate wthout his leave shall forfeit unto the owner two shillings & six pence for every such default:

It is Ordered that whosoever of this Township shall gather any Candlewood to gether on heapes in the Towne Common, if he shall lett it lye there above one Month, it shall be lawfull for any man to take it, unless the Select Men shall allow longer tyme to such as burnt for Tarr or Coales:

It is Ordered that Every Householder shall have in readiness about his house a sufficient Ladder for length suitable to his houseinge to prevent dangers & harmes by fire. On Pen-

alty of forfeiting five shillings to y^e Towne Treasury for every neglect:

It is Ordered that if any person shalbe taken notice of to carry fire in the Street or from house to house, not being sufficiently covered Soe as to prevent doinge hurt thereby, he shall forfeit five shillings for every such offence besides all damages for what hurt may come thereby:

[III—14.]

Whereas it is judged offensive & noysome for flax and heme to be watered or washed in or by the brooke before mens doores, w^{ch} is of Ordinary use for dressing of meate: Therefore it is Ordered that noe person henceforth shall water or wash any flax or hemp in the said brook eyther on the East or West side of the Street or any where neere adjoining to it. And if any person shalbe found transgressing herein he shall be liable to a fyne of Six shillings & eight pence for every such default:

It is by the Inhabitants agreed & Ordered y^t the great River is & shalbe accounted a sufficient fence, & shall stand for a fence both for the lotts & corne feilds of the Towne on y^e East side of the said River & also for the land meddowes & corne feilds on the West side of y^e said River.

Whereas diverse offences arise through defective fences, & different apprehensions concerninge the Sufficiency of fences betwixt Proprietors, It is therefore Ordered that all outside fences about Meddowes or Corne feilds shalbe substantially fenced eyther wth five rayles or posts & pales or ditch foure foote & half broad wth a hedge on it, or otherwise according to the judgm^t & Satisfaction of the viewers, & that all partitionall fences betweene Lott & lott shalbe Ordered by the Select Men in case of disaggreem^t between Proprietors, & in case any damage arise to others by the defect of fences, the Party whose fence is soe judged defective shall pay all damages according as they shalbe adjudged by the Select Men or any deputed by them upon complaynt of any damaged:

Also it is Ordered that the Select Men shal have power (ac-

ording to y^e Country Law) to make Orders about fences or fencing: Se p: 28 & p. 84.

[III—15.]

It is Ordered that Swine w^{ch} are nott shutt up & that keepe about the Towne or wthin two miles of the Towne, All such swine shal be well & Sufficiently Rung by the Owners thereof or at their Cost & charge, To p^rvent as well the rooting downe of ditches & rooting up of the comons or other harmes as the Spoyling of meddowes & pastures & corne feilds:

And if any swine above three months old shalbe found after the 25th day of March yearly without good & sufficient rings in their noses to p^rvent their rooting, The Owners of such Swine shall pay three pence a peece for every Swine soe found, though but in the Comons or streetes: But Swine found in Meddowes pastures, gardens, Orchards or corne feilds wthout good & sufficient rings as aforesaid, The owners shall pay two shillings & Six pence a peece for every Such Swine above three Months old, besides Satisfying all damages done to any person by any Such Swine. And though swine be rung, yet if they endamage any, the Owners shall pay for Such damage or trespas as their Swine shall doe in corne feilds meddowes orchards or gardens provided such damage be judged by two indifferent Men. But the owners of the said ringed swine, shall or may (& are hereby enabled to) recover what ever damage they Soe pay, from them, whose insufficient fence they shall proove the said Swine came thorow: And it is further Ordered that any Swine found in corne feilds Meddowes, pastures, gardens, or orchards may be driven to the pound not only for the recovery of what damages they shall doe, but also of the forfeiture for their being unrung, unless the Owners of the Swine shall eyther pay forfeitures, and damages, or ingages before witness to doe it, to the Partyes satisfaction:

And for Swine or any cattell that are liable to Poundage Whosoever shall impound them, they shall have foure pence) p head for poundgae of them, And the Pound keeper shall

have 2^d p head [III—16.] for taking them in & letting them out of Pound:

The Penalties aforesaid of three pence for Swine found in the Comon or Streetes unrung to goe to the informer: And if any refuse to pay him, Soe that he be putt to call Witness & to prosecute it they shall then pay 6 pence a peece for such swine besides the charges in prosecuting it: The Other Penalty of two shillings Six pence a peece for Swine in Meddowes & as aforesaid to goe halfe to the Informer & the other halfe to the Towne: the Informer being to receive the whole, & to pay one half thereof to the Towne Treasurer, or to the Select Men for y^e use of the Towne:

It is Ordered, That Cattell of All Sorts belonging to this Towne, shall be marked wth Some distinct known marke, for w^{ch} end, every Owner of any Cattle shall reparaire to the Recorder for y^e tyme being, who shall take & keepe upon Record each mans p^ticular Marke: And this to be done by the first of March next, or elce the Owner of Such Cattle shall forfeit five shillings to the Towne Treasury: And it is further Ordered that from tyme to tyme hence forward every Mans cattle sha!be marked by the tyme they are three Months old: And if any persons cattle sha!be found unmarked at or after they are three Months old, such person shall pay twelve pence p head for such cattle to him that shall inform ag^t him:

Whereas there was an Ancient Order bearing date Jan: 24 1638 requiring all that had ditches by the highway before their doores to keep them well scoured for the ready passage of the water that it might not pen up to flow the Meddowes: And after that every Inhabitant should make a [III—17.] ditch the breadth of their lotts before their doores, & such as had ditches should scoure them by the last of May (from the formentioned date) on penalty of five shillings, & whereas the said Ord^s have not been attended, by meanes of w^{ch} neglect much damage hath comes to the generality if not all y^e Inhabitants from the Middle of the Towne upward through the water penning up & flowing of their meddowes: ffor the

prevention whereof & in prosecution of the fore mentioned Orders & according to an Ord^r made in December 1656. It is further Ordered that hence forward yearly, the severall Inhabitants Proprietors of y^e Meddowes from M^r Pynchons Meddow downe to the Lower Side of Benjamin Parsons Lower meddow shall keep a good & sufficient ditch well cleared, for the free & ready passage of the water, for w^{ch} end every person the breadth of his Meddow, (& for 6 or 8 rod up the Meddow betwixt M^r Pynchon & m^r Holyoke) shall once every yeare Some tyme in May scower & cleare their said ditches or water passages of Sand dirt wood or any rubbish, Soe that the water may have free passage wthout penning up to flow the Meddowes: And this to be attended at such tyme in May yearly as that it may be done by the last of May yearly on penalty of every person neglecting to pay 5^s to the Towne treasury if not done yearly by the time limited, & that sufficiently cleared according as shallbe allowed of by two of the Select Men appoynted by the rest: Every person to attend it which the water shallbe turned away for y^t end, by those that live uppermost, or by agreement of the Major part. And in case it shallbe found undone after the first weeke in June every person whose ditch or water passage is not then sufficiently cleared shall besides the first five shillings aforesaid pay 3^s 4^d p weeke till the worke be fully done to Satisfaction of the Two Select Men appoynted as aforesaid: Allw^{ch} Penalties shallbe duly levyed by y^e Constable, & paid to the Towne Treasury:

[111—18.]

It is Ordered that hence forward there shallbe given to him that shallbe found able & willinge to undertake the making of the rates for this Towne the summe of Twenty shillings p annum, that is to say, for making all the rates belonging to y^e yeare:

Consideration being had of the great damage that hath bene done to the glass windowes of the Meeting house by such as use their sports thereabout: It is thereupon Ordered that if any persons children or others shall at any tyme

by any sports or otherwise breake any of the glass windowes of the meeting house such persons shall pay 12^d to the Towne Treasury for such default: And all others that were partners in such sporte shall pay 6^d a peece to y^e Towne Treasury: And if they be children under age y^t are therein faulty, except their parents or Governo^rs shall correct them for it before some of the Select Men, such Parents or Governo^rs shall pay the penalty or penaltyes aforementioned.

It being observed & complayned of as a disord^r that persons doe frequently take liberty to ride very swiftly wth their horses in the streetes to y^e endangering of the children & others,

It is therefore Ordered that if any person be observed to run his horse or to ride faster then a ordinary hand gallop in the streets of this Town except upon such urgent occasions as shall by the Select me be judged warrantable soe to doe, he shall be liable to a fyne of 3^s 4^d. One shilling whereof shalbe paid to y^e Informer, the rest to the Towne Treasury for y^e use of the Towne. This order not to be extended to Troopers in the tymes of their exercise.

ffebr. 12th 1668 By y^e Select men, it was declared & ordered that y^e west side of y^e River fro Tho Millers up to Peter Swinck shall be ac^{ted} a pt of y^e Streetes of this Towne, & lyable to this penalty for Galloping.

[III—19.]

It is Ordered that the Select Men shall take care if it may be wth conveniency the Streete in all places of this Towne may be three rod broad of firme & playne land, at least that the fences may be disposed in a strait & comely order especially in narrow places: And this work they are in a speciall manner to attend in the month of March next. And all wood or other offensive matter is to be cleared from the highways, on penalty that any person that shall not attend this Order, in the judgm^t of the Select Men at any tyme, shall pay 2^s to y^e Towne Treasury for Every Such offence:

Diverse of the Inhabitants on the West side of the great River p^resenting their desires to the Towne that the severall

allotm^s abutting ag^t the great River from Thomas Millers up to the Comon fence, may be accounted as house lotts or a part of the Towne platt: The Towne did upon the 30th of Decemb^r 1664 Order & determine that the said lotts shalbe soe taken & accounted:

To the end that the Comon high wayes of the Towne may be laid out, where they may be most convenient & advantageous for the generall use of the Towne. It is Ordered that y^e Select Townesmen shall have full power & Authority to lay out all Comon high wayes for the Towne where & how they shall judge most convenient & usefull for the Inhabitants though it be through or at the end of mens Lotts, provided they give them reasonable allowance accordinge to equity, but if the party like not thereof, then it shalbe referred to y^e judgm^t of indifferent p[']tyes, mutually chosen by the party one, & the Select Townsmen another, & if [III—20.] those Two indiffrent p[']tyes doe not agree they shall pitch upon a third p[']son to joyne wth themselves & determine it: And the Select Townesmen are allowed liberty to sett a certayne Tole on carts y^t shall pass any high way w^{ch} shall appeare more then ordinary chargable in the reparation thereof.

ffor the equall & indifferent carrying on & bearing the charge of making & repaying such comon high wayes & bridges as are or shalbe thought needfull to be made or repayed from tyme to tyme wthin this Township, It is Ordered that every householder that hath or keepeth in his use or possession a Teame consisting of ffoure cattell shall on due warning given him by the Surveyo^r send upon every day & at the place appoynted, his said Teame, wth his cart & such necessary tooles as the Surveyo^r shall allow of, & an able man there to do wth such workes as the Surveyo^rs shall appoynt him: And it is also hereby declared that 2 oxen & a horse or a mare shalbe esteemed a full Teame:

And it is further Ordered, That every householder who hath noe Teame shall by himselfe or some other able labourer attend y^e work appoynted him by the Surveyo^rs on every day that he shall be called or required soe to worke:

And it is also Ordered that all p'sons inhabiting & yet have no Teame, every Such person shalbe compellable to send one sufficient labourer to the high way worke on every day that he shalbe duely warned thereunto according to his proportion wth other men.

It is also further ordered that every p'son shall cutt down his stubles & cleare the high way before his lott, of tymber wood standing trees (w^{ch} are hereby declared to be a mans owne) or any other offensive [III—21.] matter that the surveyo's shall warne them of, wthin three dayes after notice given him, or elce be liable to a fyne of 12^d for every defect.

And whereas there are Surveyo's chosen yearely for the Oversight & amendinge of highwayes bridges &c that Soe the Comon high wayes of the Towne may be kept in continuall rep'ation: To that end & for the regulating of the Surveyo's in the discharge of their Office, it is ordered that the Surveyo's for the tyme beinge shall take care That all high wayes bridges wharfes &c belonging to their care be made repayred & amended sufficiently according to their discretion or as they shalbe directed by the Select men of the Towne:

Also that all high wayes be kept cleare from trees, tymber, wood, earth, stone or other offensive matter that shall annoy the high way.

The Surveyo's likewise shall give three dayes warning to such as they call for and require to come to y^e high way worke, vizt the day of warning & one day more, Soe that men must come the 3^d day after warning unless the Surveyo's give them longer tyme. ffurthermore they shall require noe householder to worke at any Such workes as aforesaid more than Six dayes in a yeare nor more of those Six dayes then shall in a due pportion fall to his share:

Also the Surveyo's shall require noe man to work above two dayes in a weeke: Likewise the Surveyo's shall call for these Six dayes or as many of them as shalbe needfull wthin the compass of tyme Letwixt the 20th of May, & y^e 20th of June yearely not at any other tyme unless by y^e Major pt of y^e Select Men [III—22.] it be agreed unto: Yet in-

asmuch as Some tymes wayes may be Suddenly become defective, that therefore they may not be too long neglected, It is declared, Three of the Select Men meeting & any two of them agreeing may appoynt & allow y^e Surveyo^rs to call persons together for the repaying such defective wayes or places: Moreover they shall duely p^rsent to y^e Select Men at the weekes end all defects of p^rsons or teames that on lawfull warning given neglect to come to y^e worke appoynted who shall give warrant to the Constable for p^rsent distress of 2^s fyne for a man & 5^s for a man & Teame to be employed in the next worke that is to be done aboute the high wayes.

Also the Surveyo^rs shall give in their accounts yearly to the Select Men at y^e Gene^rll Meeting in ffebruary when they yeild up their office another year:

And whereas the former Order about high wayes seemes to be deficient in some respects, whereby some p^rsons have taken advantage to exempt themselves from such Publike workes w^{ch} in equity they should attend wth others pportionably: It is therefore Ordered that all Single p^rsons or unmarried (though living in another mans family) who are possessed of a lott eyther by the grannt of the Towne or by purchase or otherwise shall after three months be liable to attend the work of the high wayes proportionably wth other householders according as they shall be duely warned thereunto by y^e Surveyo^rs.

And in reference to y^e marking & repayinge of the high wayes belonging to this Townshipp, It is further Ordered that the wayes about this Township shalbe accounted of three sorts [III—23.] 1. Such as the Whole Towne Shall joyne to make & repaire. 2. Such as shalbe repayed by the Towne but sett to p^rticular companyes of y^e Inhabitants: 3. Such wayes as are of more private concernmt cheifly for some few mens use:

And therefore It is Ordered that from Schonunganunk all the high wayes from there unto the foote of the falls in y^e great River shalbe made & repayed by the whole Towne: that is the Countrey Road Soe farr: And for all other high

ways. It is further Ordered, that Deacon Chapin Ens: Cooper Miles Morgan Thomas Miller Thomas Mirack. William Warrener Nathaneell Ely Benjamin Parsons & George Colton be appoynted & shall be a Committee to consider of & conclude what wayes shalbe accounted Towne high wayes to be made & repayred by the Whole Towne joyntly or by p'ticular Companyes as aforesaid & to appoynt who shall belong to or make up such companyes & what private wayes the whole Towne shall not be called to make or repayre: This Committee for the p^rsent are to determine & settle those three Sorts of wayes: And for after tymes it is wholly lost to y^e Select men:

Also the said Committee are to consider of a high way downe to WindSor on y^e west side of the great River both it shall lye & by whom to be made & maynteyned:

And it is further Ordered y^t such high wayes as are comon & Countrey wayes belonging to the Whole Town joyntly to maynteine, every Inhabitant when required thereunto by the surveyo^rs shall duely attend the reparation thereof, & such Comon high wayes as belong to the severall p'ticular companyes shall attend y^e repaying [III—24.] of them according to Order when ever they shalbe required by such Surveyo^rs as shalbe chosen & appoynted by each company: And for such p'ticular wayes w^{ch} belong to private p'sons to make & mayntayne, the Surveyo^rs of high wayes are not by Order engaged to meddle about y^e repaying of them:

The Committee mentioned in the former page Chosen by the Towne, ffor Orderinge of y^e making & repaying the high wayes of this Towne, both such as are Comon or more particular, hath Ordered as ffoloweth vitz

In reference to ye high way into y^e playne above End brooke, these persons whose names ffollow shall make & repayre it: vitz Robert Ashley, Benjamin Mun, Thomas Stebbin, William Warrener, James Warrener Deacon Chapin Japhet Chapin: And the rest of the Neighbors y^t have land wthout the fence, w^{ch} for the present lyeth comon, if they shall make any use of the way thorough the fenced playne

they shall also be compellable to assist in y^e repaying of the way equall wth y^e other:

In reference to y^e way to Rowland Thomas his house all the Inhabitants from Ens Coopers to Rowland Thomas his house shalbe at y^e charge of repaying that way.

And in reference to y^e way leading to the meddowes on the Mill River & 16 acres & worlds End, beginning at y^e top of y^e hill over y^e Causey above Symon Bemons: These persons whose names follow are to make & repaire it: Robert Ashley John Lambe Deacon Chapin Japhet Chapin Thomas Noble William Warrener James Warrener Thomas Mirick, Samll Marshfeild Nathaneel Ely John Clark ABell Wright Charles fferry Richard Sikes. And Benjamin Mun only over y^e first bridge. [III—25.]

And in reference to y^e highway up the great hill over Mill River these persons vizt Lawrence Bliss John Harmon Nathaneel Pritchard Benjamin Parsons Widdow Bliss John Bliss John Matthews Anthony Dorchester Richard Sikes Jonathan Burt John Lumbard & Thomas Bancroft:

And in reference to y^e Meddowes upon ffresh water River the way thereto is to be made & mainteyned by Capt Pynchon George Coulton Benjamin Cooley Samuell Marshfeild Nathaneell Ely John Keepe from the place where they shall leave the Countrey high way that goes down to y^e foot of the falls till they come to y^e head of their Meddowes.

And in reference to y^e two Wharfes, The Lower wharfe shall be maynteyned by the Inhabitants from Thomas Miricks to Thomas Bancrofts: And the higher wharfe to be mainteyned by the Inhabitants from David Ashley's to Reice Bedortha's Robert Ashley not exempted:

And in reference to y^e high way to y^e great playne on y^e west side y^e great River comonly called Chickuppe plaine, the Proprietors of y^e land in y^e said playne shall make & repaire the said high way from y^e said plaine, And then all the Inhabitants on that side the River from William Brookes to Thomas Millers to joyne with them in making & repairing the rest of that way down till it come to Thomas Millers:

And for y^e high way from y^e hay place over y^e River till you come to Agawam falls (ag^t John Leonards house) as John Dumbleton & Ens Cooper laid it out. It is to be made & maynteyned by Thomas Stebbin Ens Cooper Jno Leonard David Ashley Samll Marshfeild Capt Pynchon Leiut Holyoke Rich Exell Jno Stewart James Warrener Benj Munn Hugh Dudley Jno Lamb Thomas Mirick Joseph Crowfoote Jno Dumbleton Jonath Taylor & William Branch:

[III—26.]

And concerning the high way from y^e third division down by the black pond & Soe to Ens Coopers Swampe. It is to be made & repayred by Capt Pynchon Thomas Miller Ens: Cooper Robert Ashley & Samuell Marshfeild:

And in reference to a high way on y^e West side of the great River (down towards Windsor) for horse & carts for the Townes use: The said Committee doth Order & appoynt that y^e way shall lye (for both sides the River, vitz for y^e Inhabitants dwelling on both sides the River) at Agawam Rivers mouth & soe downwards by the great River side: The breadth to be Three rods upon y^e firme land from y^e top of y^e bank by the River & Soe to run y^t breadth through all the small lotts there butting on y^e great River & from theme to run the straitest convenient Course Six rod broad. And this way is to be made & maynteyned by all the Inhabitants on y^e East side of the great River from Thomas Bancrofts & Soe upward & upon y^e west side of the great River from Thomas Millers & Soe all that live or shall live above them:

Unto these p'ticulars the said Committee did sett to their hands the 10th Jan: 1664. vitz Samuell Chapin Nathaneell Ely, George Coulton, Benjamin Thomas, Willm Warrener Thomas Merrick Tho Cooper, Thomas Miller: Only Tho: Millers dissents from the last p'ticular about y^e high way on y^e West side of the River to Windsor wards:

[III—27.]

It is ordered & determined y^t there shall be Haywards yeerly chosen for the severall feilds of the Plantation whose

worke it is to be serious & sedulous for the preservation of the corne feilds or meddowes of their walkes: Also it is expected that they often view the feilds to p^rvent harme & damage by Cattell what well they may: And for their encouragm^t in y^r work It is further Ordered & determiped that What cattell soever (excepting cattell in worke) they shall fynd in any of y^e said ffeilds in tymes prohibited they shall have liberty to impound: And shall have of y^e owner of such cattell Six pence p head for every beast Soe impounded and eight pence p head for such as shalbe impounded being Soe taken in y^e feild over Agawam River, And if any beast be impounded by any other person out of any of the said ffeilds, the said impounder shall have the like allowance allowing only two pence p head to y^e Hayward belonging to y^e feild for w^t he soe impounds: the rest whether 4^d or 6^d as above, the Hayward is to pay him: And if the said Haywards or any of them in execution of their worke shalbe ap^osed or resisted or y^e Owner of Cattell trespassing shall refuse to pay according as this Order provides, then y^e Haywards repaying to y^e Selectmen, the said Select Men or Major part of them shall determine the case in difference & order the Haywards Satisfaction.

Whereas It is found by experience that many Speakeinge together in Towne meetings hinders the worke in hand, & is also very dishono^rable to God & greivous to many persons, It is therefore Ordered, that while any comon bysyness is under consideration or debate every man shall apply himself to y^e worke in hand: & in any Publike matter every man may give his advice one after another & shall have free liberty of Speach as he shall have leave from the Moderator: Soe speaking one at a tyme [III—28.] lovingly & moderately: But there is not to be more Speakers than One at a tyme, upon penalty that every one y^t shall Speake in tumultuous manner Shall pay 6^d a peece to y^e Towne Treasury: And if men gathered together in companyes to discourse by themselves & doe not attend the severall workes in hand, all such p^osons are to pay 6^d a peece to y^e Towne Treasury:

It is Ordered that henceforward noe Persons who shall come from other places & here reside shallbe accounted as Settled Inhabitants to have power & liberty of voting in Towne affaires although otherwise quallified according to law unless such person or persons shallbe admitted into y^e Towne by the Select Men & their admission entered. And whoever at p^rsent are, or hereafter shallbe admitted & Settled in this Town or Townshipp, they shallbe bound to all the Orders y^t are already made in this Towne, & to all y^t hereafter shallbe made, & confirmed by y^e Major vote of the Inhabitants p^rsent, in any Legall Towne Meetings or by the Select men accordinge to Order.

It is Ordered y^t the Select men & Deacon or Deacons shall from tyme to tyme Seate p^rsons in y^e Meeting house ayther higher or lower according as in their sound discretion they shall judge most meete:

And the Select Men for y^e tyme beinge from yeare to yeare shall wthin Some short tyme after their election attend the said work, both to consider what persons want Seates or what alterations is requisite to be made to persons sitting there, as also to act therein accordingly & y^t yeerely if need be, that Soe much alteration at any one tyme may be p^rvented.

febr '70. Whereas sometymes mens yards adjoyning to comon feilds are an occasion of damage to y^e feilds by reason of defective fences about such yards: It is therefore Ordered that the fence next to the comon feilds shallbe liable to the veiwers to see that they be sufficient to secure the ffeilds & to p^rvent damage to the Proprietors:

[III--29.]

[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

Jan 26th 1678. It was voted & agreed that there should be a comittee chosen pro Tempore for the Seating of Persons in the new meeting House. As also that the Worpp^l Major Pynchon, Quatm^r Colton Leuit Stebbin Benj Parsons Anthony Dorchester Jonathan Burt John Dumbleton Saml Marshfeild John Holyoke should be the Comittee pro tem-

pore. And that al future seatings shalbe attended according to the 3^d section backward in the preceeding page

A copy of General Corte May 27th 1685, then answer to the section of the Town of Springfeild, that the Courte would grant us the favor that we might pay o^r Countrey Money Rates in Corne: w^{ch} answer takes in Suffeild respecting their like Petition.

At a General Corte held at Boston, May 27th 1685:

The Corte haveing read & conferred the Contents of the Petition from Springfeild & Suffeild, doe Judge that sundry exp^ssions therein do deserve sharpe reproofe. Nevertheless considering the Difficulty of peuring Money in those places, doe order that y^e Inhabitants of s^d Townes shal not be comable Corne at one third Part less price, than is set in the Counto Money Rates, they doe pay their rates in good Merchantry Rates & deliver the same to the Treasurer at Boston at their own charge, casualty of the seas excepted, & this order to continue until the General Corte take further order herein.

Copia vera attests Edward Rawson Secretary.

[III—30.]

At a General Court held at Boston Oct: 12, 1681.

In the case of Springfeild referring to the house & land now in the occupation of m^r Pelatiah Glover brought hither by mutual Consent of Parties for advice. The Court Judg^{eth} it meet to declare that the first Settlement of the s^d Estate by the vote of Novemb^r 15 1655 is & remaines of ful force, & no avoidance made thereof, or to be made by any after vote of the Town whatsoever: That notwithstanding the Towne of Springfeild haveing Introduced & Selected m^r Glover amongst them upon an Expectation of the same to be & remaine to him & his heirs forever, The Court declares that y^e s^d Town of Springfeild ought by an equal assessment amongst themselves to raise & make payment to the s^d Glover of such a sum of money to the ful value thereof as may be an equal Compensation to him for y^e same.

That this is a true copie taken out of the Courts booke of Records, attests: Edward Rawson Secretary

Extracted from & Compared wth y^e said Secretarys Copie
P John Holyoke, Clerke for s^d Towne

[III—31.]

To the Genll Quart^r Sessions of the Peace Sitting at Springfeild may 20 1707.

Rules & Orders made & agreed on by the ffreeholders & Inhabitants of the Towne of Springfeild qualified for Voters In Town affaires, at their Meeting May 9 1707, orderly warned for that end, & agreed on to be p^rsented to the Genll Quart^r Sessions sitting at Springfeild May 20., 1707, for their approbation.

In as much as the Law of the Province obliges this Town to keep & maintain a Gramer School writing school & reading School, & that the schoolmaster be suitably Incouraged & paid by the Inhabitants of s^d Town, Now for y^e better support of s^d School & Incouragement of Learning, It is agreed, & voted that the Parents & Masters of every scholar going to said school shal pay three pence P weeke in Town pay, & for the enabling the Town to Recover such dues for each scholar, It is agreed that the Schoolmaster that shalbe hired from time to time shal keep an Exact account of the time of every scholar comeing to s^d school, & Leaving s^d school, & upon demand of the Select men, such schoolmaster shal deliver to s^d Select men under his hand an acc^{ot} of the Scholars as afores^d, w^{ch} account shal be obliging us to the time of the said scholars attendance, and the Select men or Assessors from time to time are hereby ordered & Impowered to assess the said sum or sums upon the Parents & Masters of s^d Scholars & to affix or adde the s^d sums to their Town rates that shalbe granted from time to time by the Town, for assessing & raising such further sum & Sums for Completing the schoolmasters ful dues that shal be due to him, and it is further ordered & agreed that the Select men consider who are such children or scholars as to be privileged, & that s^d Select men do exempt their Parents &

masters from paying for such children going to schoole In whole or In part.

2. It was agreed & voted that al persons who have Liberty of voting in Town affairs & of acting In choice of Town Officers, & that shal not attend Personally the General Town Meeting by Law for Election of Town Officers, either absenting himselfe at the time of calling over their Names, or that shal afterward absent himself wthout Leave from the moderator, or major Part of the assembly, shal pay Two shillings to the Town Treasury, & the Town Treasurer be Impowered to sec. forsd fine, unles his or their Excuse for such absence shal wthin one week after s^d Meeting be allowed & Counted sufficient by the Judgm^t of the Select men.

3. It is further ordered that In al public matters every man shal have free Liberty of speech, one after another, & one at a time, & that every one that shal Speake in a Tumultuous manner shal pay six pence to y^e Town Treasury.

4. Feb. 7, 1670. At this meeting It is ordered, that if any Lands be granted hereafter to any Person, the Wood & Timber upon such Lands shal be free for any Persons to take as they shal need, till such Lands shalbe fenced.

5. Feb. 14, 1678. It is henceforth ordered that no Person shal have any lands given them on the same day they move for the same, butt that as they would have any grants of land valid, they shal at one Meeting propound their desires for such lands as the Town hath to give, That the Town may Consider thereof, & then at any after town meeting such grants as they shal have made to them by y^e Town shal be accounted valid & sure to them & y^r heirs & assigns for ever.

6. May 3. Anno Dom. 1703. It is voted & concluded that what ever Cart way (the Town uses) shal be stoped or incumbered by reason of any Persons boxing of Pine trees, the Improvers of s^d Trees shal remove such Nusances, wthin a weeks warning, or else forfeit five shillings to the Town, the same order to take place & be of force for falling any other Trees across any high way.

The above orders were read the day abovesd, at the Town

Meeting abovesd, & actual voted for & agreed on, & It is appointed that they be p^rsented to the next Gen^l Quarter Session of the peace for y^e Confirmation. Attests John Holyoke,
Clerk for s^d Town.

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At the afores^d Orders were approved & allowed by the Quarter Sessions, May 20, 1707. Tests

John Pynchon, Clerk.

Transcribed from the original Copy allowed of by said Sessions or Quarter Sessions.

P John Holyoke, clerk
for Town of Springfield.

To the Gen^l Quarter Sessions of the Peace siting at Springfield May 18, 1708

It was voted at the Gen^l Town Meeting for Election of Town Officers Mar. 9th 1708 that such Persons as shal be chosen by the Gen^l Town Meeting to execute the Law respecting swine. & shal be convicted of his neglect thereof shal be subject to the Penalty of five shillings upon a conviction, the one halfe to the Informer, the other halfe to the Town school, & that this order be p^rsented to the Justices of the Peace at the next General Sessions of y^e Peace in Hampshire for their approbation. Extracted fro: Springfield Record—p. 285 of the said Town booke & vara Copia

p John Holyoke Clerk for s^d Town

The vote above^{sd} was approved & allowed of by the Justices of the Peace with in the Quarter Sessions at Springfield May 18, 1708.

Test Jn^o Pynchon Clerke.

Transcribed from the original Copy allowed of by s^d Quarter Sessions

P Jn^o Holyoke Clerk for Town of Springfield.

[III—33, 34, 35, 36, and 37 blank.]

[III—38.]

February 1664.

Here followes a Record or List of y^e Names of the Townsmen, or men of this Towne of Springfield that is to say, of the allowed & admitted Inhabitants who they are this present ffebr: 1664.

| | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| Rowland Thomas | Cap ^t John Pynchon | John Harman |
| Henry Chapin | Leiut Elizur Holyoke | Nath Pritchard |
| William Brookes | Francis Pepper | Benj Parsons |
| John Bagg | Timothy Cooper | Widdow M. Bliss |
| William Hunter | M ^r Pelatiah Glover | Sam ^l Bliss |
| Peter Swinck | Deacon Sam ^l Chapin | John Matthewes |
| Griffith Jones | Japhet Chapin | Anth Dorchester |
| Obadiah Miller | John Stewart | Rich Sikes |
| John Henrison | Thomas Noble | Jonathan Burt |
| Richard Excell | William Warriner | John Lumbard |
| John Dumbleton | Serj Thos Stebbins | Thomas Bancroft |
| Jonathan Taylor | Benjamin Mun | Benjamin Cooley |
| Hugh Dudley | David Ashley | John Bliss |
| John Baker | Abell Wright | John Keepe |
| John Scott | James Warriner | Nathaneel Burt |
| John Riley | Jeremy Horton | Widdow Burt |
| Joseph Crowfoot | Symon Bemon | George Colton |
| Edward Foster | Thomas Day | Sam ^l Ely |
| Thomas Miller | Charles Ferry | James Taylor |
| John Leonard | Thomas Mirick | Jonathan Ball |
| Eus Tho Cooper | Sam ^l Marshfield | John Horton |
| Rice Bedortha | Nathaneel Ely | |
| Samuell Terry | John Clarke | |
| John Lamb | Rowland Stebbin | |
| Robert Ashley | Lawrence Bliss | |
| Serj Miles Morgan | James Osborne | |
| William Branch | | |

[III—39.]

A Continuation of y^e Names of y^e Townsmen or allowed Inhabitants, wth y^e Date of their Admittance.

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| July 28 th 1665 | Tomas Powell admitted |
| | John Petty admitted y ^e Same tyme |
| April 1666 | Edmund Prinrydys admitted |
| 1667 | Symon Lobdell admitted |

[III—39, 40 and 42 blank.]

[Unnumbered Sheet in the hand of Peletiah Glover, Jr., bound between III—42 and 43.]

To all Christian People to whom this present Writing shall Concerne Know y^e that I Pelatiah Glover of Springfeild the son of the Revernd^d M^r Pelatiah Glover Deceased late minister of the Gospel & teacher of the Church at Springfeild, for In-

corgment of the s^d m^r Glover my Honored fathers settlement amongst them in the ministry Had given a House & land as by deed or grant of Hampshire Records & of town Rec^rds appears, which upon after Consideration became doubtfull whether it might be Lawfully done, because the s^d land was first stated to the ministry In Springfeild: where upon a meet Compensation for the same was treated Concerning, that to the s^d lands might return to the ministr & its priniture statem^t there unto, which since my fathers Decease, I the s^d Pelatiah Glover his son & the town of Springfeild by their assent have Come to an agreement Concerning that s^d land may revert to the Town of Springfeild, wherefore thereupon I the s^d Pelatiah Glover doe hereby acknowledge to have Rec^d the full sum of a hundred and ten pounds in Graine & pork, and nine Score pounds in money of the Inhabitants of the town of Springfeild as a meet Compensation for the same & doe exonerate the s^d Town of Springfeild and Inhabitants thereof for ever from any further demands thereof or any part thereof from me my heires executors at any time hereafter for ever & having Rec^d the same upon the a^count of the a^count of the towns Reasuming of the House and land aforementioned, I the Pelatiah Glover for me my heires Do remit relinquish release & quit Claime all my former Interest Right or title to the s^d land, otherwise then In Comon wth the Inhabitants of Springfeild to which use the s^d land is stated for the ministry In Witness Whereof I have hereunto sett to my hand & Seale this 18 day of february Anno Domini 1698.

Pelatiah Glover [Seal]

Signed Sealed In presence of us

John Barber

Jonathan Burt Senyr

James Barkar

Pelatiah Glover above signing & sealing before us underwrit Two of his Ma^ties Justices of Peace for Hampshire, Came Personally, & before us did owne & acknowledge the above Instrument of discharge & release of y^e Land above mentioned To be his y^e s^d Pelatiah Glover, his free & volun-

tary act & Deed: This done y^e 18th day of Feb^r 1698-9: Before us

John Pynchon

Jn^o Holyoke

Justices of y^e Peace

Hampshire:

Memorandum,

That on the first day of April 1699 The within Instrument was Received Into the Registers office of the County aforesaid, and was then Registered In the 235th page of the first Book of Records.

John Pynchon, Register.

[III—43.]

1664

At the Generall Towne Meeting Day, on y^e first Tuesday in february, being the 7th day of y^e Month, 1664, the day appointed by Order for Election of Town Officers.

Capt John Pynchon was chosen Moderator for this & all other Towne Meetings for y^e yeare ensueing.

Capt Pynchon: Benjamin Cooley: George Colton: Samuell Marshfeild: & Lawrence Bliss are chosen Select Men for Ordering the Prudentiall affaires of this Towne for the yeere ensuinge

Ens: Cooper & Sam^l Marshfeild are chosen a Committee to examine the accountes of the form^r Select Men whose tyme is now expired:

Nathaneel Ely & Thomas Miller are chosen Constables to this Township for the yeere ensueing: (who tooke y^e Oath belonging to their Office.)

Elizur Holyoke is chosen Record^r to the Towne for y^e Yeere ensuinge.

Thomas Mirick & Nathaneel Pritchard are chosen Surveyors for the high wayes w^{ch} belonge to the whole Towne for y^e yeare ensuing:

Rowland Thomas, Nathaneel Ely & Samuell Marshfeild are chosen a Committee to consider of a proposition made by Serj: Stebbin, for change of some of his land in the wett meddow for some of the Town land in y^e same wett meddow:

who are to goe to the place or places to view the same, & to make report to y^e Towne what they apprehend in the case.

[III—44.]

At the same Gen^ll Town meeting ffeb^r 7th 64:

Capt Pynchon: Nathaniell Ely: George Colton: Benjamin Cooley: & Elizur Holyoke were chosen to be a standing committee to have the sole power to Order matters concerning y^e land at Worronoco, both for admittance of Inhabitants for that place and for granting of lands there, or any other affaires that concerne that place, & y^t may conduce to y^e Settling of it A Towne of it Selfe. This Committee to hold till the Towne see cause otherwise to Order.

John Williams of Windsor is admitted an Inhabitant for Worronoco of this Township and hath liberty to build on his land there which he bought of Joseph Parsons:

It is voted & concluded that the Select men chosen at this Gen^ll Towne Meetinge Shall make M^r Glovers rate now to be made & his rate next winter: & any other rates that may be raysed on the Inhabitants for Town charges this yeere ensuing they shall also next Winter some tyme in January take a list of the estate of the Plantation, where by m^r Glovers rate next winter shalbe made as allso all other Towne rates for y^t yeere: vitz till y^e winter ffollowinge: And Soe in a constant Course hereafter, all the Towne rates & the Ministers rate shalbe made Sometime in January from tyme to tyme.

It is also voted concluded & agreed that there shalbe alwayes two Constables in y^e Towne To w^{ch} end One Constable shalbe chosen at every halfe yeeres end: that is to say one shalbe chosen on y^e Generall Town meeting day in ffebr yeerely & another in August yeerely vitz y^e day when y^e Commissioners is chosen for joyning wth y^e Select Men to make y^e Countey rate.

[III—45.]

At this Gen^ll Towne Meeting It is further voted & concluded that there shalbe a high way of Eight rod broad by the North side of the Comon fence y^t extends from the Great River to Agawam River:

Also at this meeting these p'sons were chosen Haywards for y^e Severall ffeilds vizt Jonathan Taylor for y^e ffeilds on y^e west side of y^e River opposite to y^e Towne:

Joseph Crowfoote for Chickuppe playne.

John Clark for the homelots & 3 Corn^r Meddow:

And Sam^l Ely for y^e Long Meddow:

At a Legall Town meeting April 11th 1665 being a full Meeting.

It was voted & determined, all present consenting thereto To give m^r Pelatiah Glover, All the land w^{ch} y^e Towne bought of m^r Moxon Our Teacher shall continue and abide in this Towne dureing his life, or that his remooving from this Town be wth and by mutuall consent: And in case of his remooving by mutuall consent, or in case that after his death his wife and children shall choose to leave this Town and remove to Some other place. That then the Town shall have y^e refusall of it: Upon these tearmes, m^r Glover accepting hereof as a competency wth y^e ffourescore pounds p annu: for his mayntenance, y^e Town doth give and grant y^e Said land & housing to m^r Glover to be his own propriety, and doe hereby appoynt and order Capt John Pynchon George Colton, Sam^l: Marshfield Benjamin Cooley, Lawrence Bliss Rowland Thomas & Nathaneel Ely to give him possession thereof, & to make it sure to him by Record or other wise, and to take his accepting thereof on y^e Tearmes aforesaid in writing, they to act therein as they shall see best to make things sure.

At y^e Same Meeting, It was voted to chuse a Comitee for giving out y^e land of y^e Plantation, w^{ch} yet lyes undisposed of, And 'tis Ordered y^t Capt Pynchon George Colton, Benjamin Cooley Sam^l Marshfield Rowland Thomas & Lawrence Bliss & Nathaneell Ely: shalbe a Comittee for that end: Which Seaven men mett together or the Major part of them, provided all of them had notice to meete, (though there be but foure of them yet they aggreeing) shall have full power to act in granting of lands to any person; And to whomsoever they shall grant any lands, it shall e as fully ye propriety of such Persons as if the whole Town had granted it unto them. [III—46.]

August y^e 16th 1665.

The Constable according to warrant from y^e Treasurer called together the Inhabitants of this Towne, Who, being assembled made choyce of Deacon Chapin to be a Comission^r for y^e Towne to joyne with y^e Select Men for making & perfecting the Countrey rate for this yeere according to Law:

At y^e Same meeting according to Town Order, the Inhabitants p^oceeded to choyce of a Constable for this Towne: And they chose William Warriner Constable for y^e yeere ensuing: (who took his oath accordingly) (Nathaneely Ely being dismiss of y^r Office:)

At this meeting also, the persons deputed by the Towne on y^e 11th of Aprill 1665 as in the former page is mentioned, did declare, That They had been wth m^r Glover, & had acquainted Him wth the Townes gift & grannt & the tearmes thereof, and that m^r Glover accepted thereof, and that thereupon they had given m^r Glover possession of the house wherein he dwells & y^e land thereunto belonging upon the tearmes mentioned in y^e Townes act before recited: And accordingly the said Persons gave m^r Glover a deed to secure the said house & land to Him.

At the Towne meeting Aforesaid viz on y^e 11th of Aprill 1665, This was ordered, (w^{ch} should have bin then Recorded) vizt:

Whereas Severall p^osons that had lands grannted them at fresh water brooke this winter past have neglected to get it measured by the end of March last whereby those grannts are voyd: The Persons desiring longer tyme to be given them, and their grannt to stand good, The Towne doth renew & continue those grannts to them, Provided they take their lands, accordinge as the last Committee granted them, & get them measured out by y^e last of May next: Otherwise neglect the measuringe thereof by that tyme are to loose their said lands Soe grannted unto them. Others also of y^e Towne that have had grannts of land elce where have liberty till y^e last of May next for to get them measured out.

[III—47.]

Att the Generall Towne Meeting Day, being the first Tuesday in february and the Sixth day of the month: Anno Dmi: 1665

Capt Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this Meeting & for all other Towne Meetings this yeere ensueing:

Ensigne Cooper: Robert Ashley: John Dumbleton: Benjamin Parsons: & Elizur Holyoke are chosen for y^e yeere ensueing to Order all the Prudentiall affaires of the Towne who are impowered to act therein as Select Men accordinge to what is exp^rssed in page 5th of this booke:

Ensigne Cooper & Elizur Holyoke are chosen a Committee to examine the accounts of the Select Men of y^e yeere from hence past: Who attended the worke accordingly.

Edward ffoster is chosen Constable for this Towne for y^e yeere ensuing (who tooke his oath belonging to his office).

Elizur Holyoke is chosen Recorder to the Towne for y^e yeere ensueinge:

The Select Men for this yeere insueinge vizt Ensigne Cooper Robert Ashley John Dumbleton Benjamin Parsons & Elizur Holyoke together wth Rowland Thomas & Thomas Miller are chsen a Committee for granting of lands that lye in Comon & undisposed of: Whose power is y^e Same as the Committee of y^e last yeere had, w^{ch} were chosen in Aprill the 11th:

Nathaneel Ely is chosen Measurer of lands for y^e Towne for y^e yeere ensueinge. [11—48.]

Att this Meeting there were Haywards chosen for the severall ffeilds vizt.

John Clark for y^e home lotts & 3 corn^r Meddow & y^e playne above End brooke.

Obadiah Miller for the ffeild ov^r y^e River opposite y^e Towne & ov^r Agawam River.

John Riley for Chickuppe playne.

And John Keepe for y^e Long Meddow:

Anthony Dorchester & Serjant Stebbins are chosen Surveyors for y^e high wayes for y^e ensuing vizt for the Countrey high wayes:

At this Towne meetinge The Constable calling upon the Inhabitants for paym^t of y^e Countrey Rate of this yeere: The prizes of corne for paym^t thereof beinge discussed, The Towne did vote & declare that they will pay the s^d Rate at such prizes of corne as was Ordered by the last Gen^ll Corte for paym^t of y^e Countrey Rate & at noe Lower price, & y^t they will Save y^e Constable harmless.

febru: 26, 1665. A Comittee being chosen on the Gen^ll Town Meeting day vizt the 6th of this Instant to consider of Some thorough course for setting a corn Mill for supply of this Town, vizt to consider whether to keepe up this Mill y^t is in p^sent being or to p^rpe for another in some other place: And this day a Town meeting being called to heare w^t the said Comittee judged requisite in the case: And therefore the said Comittee doe now declare that they judge it best for the Town y^t a new mill be built on y^e Old Mill streame, & not to have dependance on the Mill y^t is in p^sent being: whereupon y^e case being long debated, & Capt Pynchon being urged to sett up a new mill on y^e Old streame he did engage for such worke: And for his encouragm^t diverse p^sons did promise to allow Capt Pynchon some little assistance towards the worke vizt about 17£.

At the same Town meeting It was also voted & granted y^t Capt Pynchon shall have fifty acres of upland & thirty acres of Meddow where he can find it Soe much undisposed of, Provided he doe wthin three yeeres from this tyme build a Saw Mill eyther on fresh water brooke on on y^e Old Mill streame, & y^t it be ready to be sett on worke wthin that tyme: Otherwise this grant is to be voyd:

And further the Town did vote conclude & agree (nemine contradicente) y^t the said Capt Pynchon shall have the Twelvth part of the bushell of all Such corne or graine as shall be ground at his corn mill above mentioned to be built.
[III—49.]

Att the Gen^ll Towne Meeting on the first Tuesday in february And the fifth day of the Month: Anno Dmi: 1666:
Capt Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this Town Meet-

ing & for all other Town Meetings in this Town in this yeare ensueinge

George Colton Nathaneell Ely Benjamin Cooley Rowland Thomas & Samuell Marshfeild are by the Towne Ordered to y^e Place of Select Men for the yeere ensueing, to Order all the Prudentiall affaires of the Towne. Who are impowered to act therein as Select Men according to what is expressed in page 5th of this booke & according to what the Law directs as the works of their place.

Nathaneell Ely & George Colton are chosen a Committee to examine the accounts of y^e last Select Men: Who attended the worke accordingly:

Rice Bedortha is chosen Constable for this Towne for y^e yeere hence ensueing: Who took his Oath belonging to his Office:

Elizur Holyoke is chosen Record^r to y^e Towne for y^e yeere ensueinge.

The Select Men for y^e yeere ensueinge together wth Serj: Stebbin & Thomas Miller are chosen a Committee for granting of lands y^t lye in comon or undisposed of in y^e Plantation, for y^e yeere ensueing:

Nathaneell Ely is chosen Measurer of lands for y^e Towne for y^e yeere ensueing:

Miles Morgan & Thomas Miller are chosen to be Surveyors of y^e high wayes for y^e yeere ensueinge.

At this Meeting there were Haywards chosen for the Severall ffeilds of the Plantation for y^e yeere ensueinge. Vizt: John Clarke for y^e house lotts & 3 corner Meddow & the Playne above End Brooke:

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And Lawrence Bliss for the ffeilds on y^e West side of the Great River pposite to y^e Towne & over Agawam Riv^r.

John Bagg for y^e ffeild called Chickuppe:

And Sam^l Ely for y^e Long Meddow:

Consideration being had at this Meeting of the poore estate of Some in the Plantation, who it is thought by Some need reliefe, Certyne persons were appointed to consider of

their condition & to make report to y^e Towne what they judge convenient to be done in the case: The Persons chosen are Capt Pynchon George Colton Benj: Cooley Ens: Cooper Deacon Chapin: Nathaneell Ely Robert Ashley and Elizur Holyoke:

It is voted & concluded y^t Long Meddow bridge shal be made wth Stone work on each side of the Brooke for y^e Tymber work to lye upon: And y^e Select Men are to Sett forward the work & to take care & Order for the doing thereof.

ffebr. 11th 1666. At a meeting of y^e Select Men: Among other things, there was granted to Serj: Stebbins upon his desire, liberty to build on his lott neere Robt Ashley's house.

ffbruary 3^d 1667. Att a meeting of y^e Select Men, Amongst other things acted by them, They Testify their approvall of Samuell Marshfeilds building on y^t land he purchased of Peter Swink on y^e west side of the great river by the comon fence:

May y^e 2^d 1667. Samuell Marshfeild & Miles Morgan beying appointed by the Select Men to lay out high wayes between the two brookes below Chickuppe playne both for going into y^e playne & for the house lotts there: the said two persons have thus determined that there shalbe a high way between Rice Bedortha's lott & Edm: Prinridayes five rod wide, & at the reere of their lotts it turnes a little to y^e hill & Soe runneth Six rod wide to y^e way leading into the woods & thence it is two rod & half wide to the gate: And for a way to Rich: Sikes his lott by the lower brook, it is to be two rod wide, & at the reere of their lotts it turnes a little to y^e hill & where y^e brooke bends neerest those lotts & at the reere of Edmunds lott & firancis Peppers, Joseph Crowfoote is to have One rod wide for passage to the high way in leiw of w^{ch} each of them are to have halfe a rod wide in the flankes of their lotts out of that 6 rod w^{ch} was formerly left for the high way

[III—51.]

Att the Gene^{ll} Towne Meeting on y^e first Tuesday in ffbruary, and the ffourth day of y^e Month: 1667.

Capt Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this Town meeting, & for all other Town Meetings in this Town this yeere ensuing.

And Lieut Cooper Miles Morgan John Dumbleton Benjamin Parsons & Elizur Holyoke are by the Towne chosen & Ordered to y^e place of Select Men for y^e yeere ensuing who are to Order the Prudentiall affaires of y^e Towne, who are in their places as the Law directs & according to what is speci- fyed in page 5th of this booke.

Lieut Cowper & Elizur Holyoke are chosen a Committee to examine the accounts of the Select Men of the yeere last past who attended the work accordingly:

John Lamb is chosen for & ordered to y^e place & Office of a Constable for y^e yeere ensuing: who tooke y^e Oath belonging to his place.

Elizur Holyoke is chosen Clarke or Record^r to y^e Town for y^e yeere ensuing:

The Select Men above chosen for this yeere are also Ordered & appoynted a Committee for grannt of lands y^t lye in Comon & undisposed off according as they see reason & necessity: This their power to continue for the yeere ensuing.

Nathaneell Ely & Samll Marshfeild are chosen for Measurers of lands for y^e yeere ensuing: eyther of y^m to doe y^e worke as they are there unto called:

Robert Ashley & Samuell Bliss Sen^r are chosen surveyors for y^e high wayes for y^e yeere ensuing. [III—52.]

At this Gen^{ll} Towne meetinge there were also chosen Haywards for the Severall comon ffeilds of the Plantation for y^e yeere ensuinge: vizt John Clarke for y^e home lotts & 3 corner meddlow and playne above end brooke.

Joseph Crowfoot for y^e ffeild over y^e great River and over Agawam River.

John Riley for y^e playne called Chickuppe:

And John Keepe for y^e Long Meddlow:

m^r Glover by Deacon Chapin propoundinge to y^e Plantation y^t Some p^ticular p^sons may be ingaged to see his rate yeerely paid:

The Plantation Voted & Ordered y^t a day being appoynted by the Deacon for paying of m^r Glovers rate, One of the Select men at least shall attend & assist the Deacon to receive what is brought in, & if what is due be not then paid another day shalbe appoynted for bringing it in, at w^{ch} tyme One or more of y^e Select Men shall then also attend with the Deacon to receive w^t shall then be due: And for what remaines yet unpaid after two dayes waiting as abovesaid the Select Men shall from yeere to yeere deliver y^e Rate to Constable under their hands y^t he may gather in the remaynder of the Rate by distress.

There being found inconvenience in putting off the day Soe long as form^{ly} for paym^t of Mr Glovers rate, The Towne voted and Ordered y^t when the Rates belonging to y^e Town yearely are made & publisht, The Deacon shall then appoynt a day w^{ch} shall Succeed quickly after for bringing in the rate for m^r Glovers maynteynce: That Soe y^t rate (if it have not the p^rcedency yet) may be as soone paid as any other rate belonging to the Towne.

Benjamin Parsons propounding his desire to y^e Town for liberty to sett his fence in y^e Street ag^t his barme about a foot & halfe or two foote.

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The form^r Select Men vizt Those y^t were chosen on y^e 5th day of february 1666 for the yeere from thence ensuing appoynting a Committee by Order made under their hands for laying out a highway from y^e South side of Agawam River into y^e Comon &c A Cobby of their Order & of y^e returne of the Committee hereafter followeth:

The Select men consideringe y^e great need that the Proprietors on y^e West side of y^e great river stand in, ffor want of a highway from y^e South side of Agawam River into y^e Comon for their passage to Windsor & to their meddow Lands & severall other grannts, They doe therefore appoynt Thomas Stebbings John Dumbleton Lawrence Bliss & Rowland Thomas to lay out a highway from y^e South Side of Agawam River & Soe up the hill till they come to the comon,

& they are to lay out the way in y^e most convenient place: And they are to bound the highway & to consider all things about y^e s^d way what of any mans Land it passeth through, & what work is done to y^e s^d way already, & they are to give their apprehensions about y^e Land that the way taketh up & Soe to lay out the way & make their returne to y^e Town Record^r y^t it may be entered in the Towne booke y^e Select Men appoynt to be attended out of hand:

Springfeild the 3 of february 1667: By y^e Select Men George Colton Benjamin Cooley Rowland Thomas Nathaneell Ely and Samuells Marshfeild.

The Committees returne.

Wee Thomas Stebbins John Dumbleton Rowland Thomas & Lawrence Bliss being appoynted by the Select Men to lay out a way over Agawam River into y^e Comon, thinking this way to bee the best, doe appoynt & lay out it to goe along the way as it is already, that is to Say, up the hill to Goodman Coopers, & Soe along by the North Side of his barne & Soe strait thorow his yard about a rod wide throw his yard & Soe straight along between his ditch & the brow of y^e hill next to the meddow, & Soe through Samll Marshfeilds land according as the Road does lye till you come into y^e Comon and up the hill on y^e right hand of y^e way till you come into y^e comon we lay it to be two rod wide.

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| John Dumbleton | Thomas Stebbin |
| Lawrence Bliss: | Rowland Thomas |

Recorded febr. 7, 1667.

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febr 12th 1667. Att a Meeting of y^e Proprietors of the ffeilds on the West side of y^e Great River.

It is voted & concluded y^t the gate belonging to y^e ffeild thoro w^{ch} Stood above by Peter Swincks, shall for y^e conveyency of the Neighbo^rs there, Stand & be sett a little below Thomas Millers for y^e p^rsent: And this being granted & concluded, for y^e Conveniency of y^e neighbo^rs there, it occasioneth another gate to be made & sett between Lawrence Bliss & Joseph Crowfootes: for y^e maynteyning whereof, the

p'sons y^t live over y^e River, haveing land in the feild stand chargeable, they declaring their consent thereunto, till y^e gate below Thomas Millers shall be ordered to be removed above y^t high way where the new gate is Sett:

And further it is agreed by & between Thomas Miller & the Proprietors of y^e feild there y^t be the s^d Thomas Miller shall & will make & mayteyne the water worke fence & all the fence from thence cross the street to his owne fence by the street (excepting y^e gate way) w^{ch} fence he is to make soe farr into y^e river as to secure the feild & both y^t & the Land fence to make & meynteayne sufficiently from the tyme y^t the feild is to be closed soe this next Spring till the feild be ordered to be layed open towards the end of the summer & he is to prevent all damage to the feild y^t might come this way except such damage as shall come by y^e gate being left open: he also is to take care of y^e gate during that tyme to p^rvent what damage he may: for w^{ch} paynes cost & care of his, he is to be paid the summe of five & Thirty shillings, every proprietor there being to pay his proportion according to his quantity of land in y^e feild And Capt. Pynchon & Elizur Holyoke are to pportion every mans share accordingly: & delivering the acc^o to Thomas Miller & a day being sett for each man to carry in his pay who ever is behind at y^e day appoynted shall pay the charges of fetching it in w^{ch} Some of the pprietors shall see done: only those pprietors on this side y^t River shall not be ingaged to carry y^e pay over y^e River to him but only to Capt Pynchons or m^r Holyokes for him:

And it is further Ordered & agreed y^t whosoever shall leave open & not shut y^t gate by Thomas Miller when the feild is closed he shall pay [111—55.] to the use & behoofe of the pprietors of land in y^t feild, the sume of Two shillings & Six pence w^{ch} Thomas Miller is to take notice of as well as he can & to give acc^o of: Only what Indians are culpable y^t way they are to pay Six pence a tyme to y^e use of Thomas Miller w^{ch} he is to gett of them yet soe as y^t he make noe trouble or disturbance in gayning it.

Here followeth a Copy of an Order & an agreement of

the Proprietors of the ffeild in the playne comonly called Chicuppe on y^e West side of y^e great River

Aprill y^e 20th 1667. Att a Meeting of the Proprieto^rs of y^e ffeild over the great River in Chickuppe playne for setling what some belongs to every man for his land there: It is Ordered & agreed y^t All the Proprieto^rs there shall & will doe their pportion of fence according to y^e Number of acres of land w^{ch} they have in that ffeild: Only William Brookes his pportion of fence for his land there is determined and agreed to be Thirty rod ag^t the front of his land & one rod in the flank & no more, excepting for the water work to w^{ch} he is to doe only that pportion of water fence w^{ch} belongs to his land: And it is further Ordered & agreed y^t every mans fence shalbe at the reere of his own land (according as the first agreement was) vizt such whose land, goes back to the fence in the reere they shall have fence w^{ch} is sett ag^t their own land, their pportion of fence there to range exactly wth the range of every mans lott w^{ch} they shall take care of henceforth to repaire and maynteyne the same sufficiently from yeare to yeare: & if any more fence belong to their share then is at y^e breadth or end of their lotts in the reere they shall doe it in the flanks; & their pportion there being once sett out, each pprietor is to take care of the same, to repaire it sufficiently from tyme to tyme. And it is pvided that if any mans land lyeth broader in the Reere then his whole pportion [III—56.] of fence is, what ever is more then his pportion of fence shall be done by Some other whose land doth not come up to the fence there in the reare. And further such persons whose lands doth not come to the fence in y^e reere their pportion of fence shall as neere as may be, be laid right ag^t their own land or elce in the flanks: And it is agreed y^t every mans fence in y^e flank shall lye in y^e Same Order as every mans land doth lye: And it is agreed & concluded by all, That Whosoever by this agreement shall come to have a worse fence from another man, That man who hath the better fence shall make the worse fence as good to him who now comes to take it as his better fence was to him before:

And it is agreed for the water work or fence into the River, y^t every man shall have an interest there & each pprietor is to take care of his pportion of the water fence w^{ch} shallbe done after this manner. The one half of the Proprieto^rs shall see to take care of doe up & repaire the water fence One yeere, & the next yeere y^e other halfe of y^e Proprieto^rs shall see to, do up, & repaire y^e water fence, & Soe from yeere in a constant course: And there being at present Sixteene proprieto^rs Tis aggreed that for this yeere John Bagg William Brookes Jonathan Taylor Thomas Noble Samuell Terry, John Lamb Rice Bedortha and Miles Morgan shall take care of the water fence to See it a sufficient fence, well done at both ends to Secure the ffeild: And for y^e next yeere Robert Ashley John Scott Richard Sikes John Riley ffrancis Pepper Edmund Pringridayes William Hunter & Joseph Crowfoote shall take care of it, to doe all y^e water fence sufficiently & well for y^e ffeild from cattell of all sorts: And Soe in a Constant Course from yeere to yeere for continuance, the one half of those Proprietors or their successo^rs each other yeare to take the whole charge of all the water fence. And it is further aggreed that Samuell Marshfeild & Serjant Stebbins, who are to be paid by Serj: Morgan shallbe procured to lay out each Proprieto^rs proportion of fence, wth what speed may bee, who are likewise (in case of need) to judge & determine what shallbe allowed by any p'son to him y^t hath the worse fence. [III—57.] Also Serj. Morgan is Ordered & desired ta take care of the Speedy Setling this work, and to gett Samuell Marshfeild & Serj. Stebbings about it: And the tyme being sett for it he is to give notice to all y^e Proprieto^rs to attend to see where their fence shall lye & to Stake it out & take charge thereof for further: All these things beinge fully aggreed & Consented to by all: It is further Ordered & aggreed y^t this agreement shall by Serj. Miles Morgan be forthwith caryed to y^e Record^r of the Town, & by him it is to be entered in to y^e Town booke, there to stand upon Record & remayne as a full Settlement of & for the securing of the feild aforesaid not only for the present but for the future.

The Names of the Proprietors y^t were p[']sent at this agreement are as follow: vizt: Miles Morgan, John Bagg, William Brookes, Jonathan Taylor, Thomas Noble, John Lamb, Capt Pynchon, Samuell Terry Rice Bedortha Robert Ashley Richard Sikes, Francis Pepper, Edm: Pringridayes William Hunter Joseph Crowfoote, John Riley by his Deputy: Absent only John Scott.

This agreement was made on y^e day above said in y^e presence of, & before mee John Pynchon Asist:

Recorded ffebr y^e 20th 1667. By me E. Holyoke Rec.

Att a Towne Meeting ffebr 26 1667. ffor the yeere insueing vizt 1668 There were Persons chosen & appoynted for Overseers of the severall Companies of Workes at the High wayes y^t belong to y^e said p[']ticular companies mentioned in pa: 24, 25, 26, vizt: John Harmon for y^e way up the long hill over y^e Mill river. George Colton for y^e way to ffresh water River. Tho: Day for y^e way to 16 acres. Wm Branch for the upp^r wharfe & y^e way ov^r y^e New bridge. Richard Sikes for y^e Lower wharfe. Serj. Stebbin for y^e playne above End brooke. Samll Marshfeild for y^e way from y^e great river to Agawam falls and y^t down by y^e black pond. [III—58.] Thomas Miler for y^e way into the woods by William Hunters, & for y^e way over y^e Muxy Meddow & to see it finished, for w^{ch} end, the Inhabitants on y^t side of y^e River are this yeere to be free from y^e Countrey high way, w^{ch} tyme they are to spend in making a Causey over y^t wett Meddow: John Bagg for y^e way by Rice Bedortha & to Chickuppe playne.

And the s^d persons are to call their Severall companies together when their yeere is expired to choose other overseers in their roomes, or elce in defect or neglect thereof they are to stand another yeere, and till they doe appoynt a Meeting of their s^d Companies to settle others: And if they be defective not attending their work, they are to pay for their neglect as y^e Town Order directs: And that noe p[']son called by the Overseers to high way may neglect their duty, It is Ordered y^t in case of defect they shalbe to all penaltyes as for Countrey high wayes, And the Select Men are to be acquainted therewith & to deale therein accordingly:

Joseph Crowfoote upon his Petition to y^e Towne was released of payment of 6^s 6^d being the Townes share of a fyne for defective fences, w^{ch} he was judged to pay by the last Select Men.

It is voted & Ordered y^t there shalbe a way for y^e Towne to y^e Saw Mill: And Anthony Dorchester & Rowland Thomas are appoynted to veiw & consider how the said way may be over y^e Mill River at y^e Old Mill Dam & Soe to y^e Saw mill to fetch boards or otherwise, & they are to make report to y^e Select Men, how they judge it may be easvest effected: And the Select Men are to Order y^e making y^e same as they shall judge most meet.

The Inhabitants at Skeepmuck by reason of the charge they have been at about their high wayes, are released from being required or called to y^e Countrey high wayes for this yeere that is now coming on:

Charles Ferry his engagem^t or condition on his grant of land at Skeepmuck, w^{ch} he desired may be taken off, is left to the discretion of y^e Select Men to act therein as they shall see reason for:

[III—59.]

March y^e 4th 1667-8

Att a Meeting of y^e Select Men they being all p^rsent vitz Elizur Holyoke: Leiut: Cooper John Dumbleton Miles Morgan & Benjamin Parsons: The said Select Men app^rhending y^t there is a necessity of a high way for the Neighbors on y^e West side of the great River into y^e Comons over Agawam River, And considering likewise w^t was acted by y^e Select Men of y^e yeere 1665 concerning a highway into those Comons laid out by them, but neglected to be entered or recorded in the town booke:

The p^rsent Select Men doe therefore now order a high way from the flatts or Sholes or wading place in Agawam River to neere the lowest end of Goodman Leonardes little pasture y^t is fenced in, at the head of y^e Meddow, & there it is to cross y^t little Swampe in y^e Said pasture, to y^e poynt of Leiut Coopers hill & Soe to run under the Northerly side of y^e Said hill

Sloping up the hill, till it come to y^e top of y^r hill, & from thence it is to run along by the brow of y^e hill to y^e hollow at y^e westerly end of his land & Soe into y^e Comons: All w^{ch} way is to be two rod broad; And considering y^t a high way thus to lye will occasion a necessity of a comon gate to be sett up at y^e bottome of y^e hill where y^e way enters the hill, & another at the Westerly end of Leuit Coopers land where he fenceth it in: The Select men doe Order y^t such gates shallbe made by the Town or Proprieto^rs on the West side of y^e great River for whose sake the way is laid out: The charges of w^{ch} way & gates is to be determined by the Towne. And whereas this way will take up about an acre & half of Leuit Coopers land, & be incumbrance thereunto, & about three quarters of an acre of Goodman Leonards land, & be incumbrance thereunto, And the Law requiring in such case that owners of lands shall have satisfaction (for such lands as are soe taken & improved for y^e publike,) to be judged by persons on both sides vizt such Owners part & on y^e Select Mens part: Therefore the said Owners of land vizt Leuit Cooper & Goodm: Leonard did each of them chuse Anthony Dorchester & Jonathan Burt, And y^e Select Men chose Serjeant Stebbins & Thomas Bancroft, w^{ch} Said 4 p[']sons did determine & aggree y^t Leuit Cooper shallbe allowed 30 shillings for the land of his Soe taken up & y^e incumbrance thereby, & y^t Goodm: Leonard shall have 20 shillings for w^t land of his, is & wilbe thereby taken up, & his incumbrance thereby: The said Summes of money to be paid w^{thin} 12 months from this tyme, by them whom the Town shall determine. And to this aggreem^t the Select Men & the said 4 p[']sons called to judg in this case did sett their hands.

[III—60.]

Att a Town Meeting March: 1667-8 It being declared That there is not a sufficient pportion of Gun powder in y^e Towne Stock to satisfy the Law, and Capt Pynchon haveing a barrell of powder by him w^{ch} was bought for the Towne, when it was at a dear rate, He ppounded to y^e Town, That if the Towne would grannt him that house lott of y^e Townes,

w^{ch} is above Robert Ashleyes neere the round hill he would lett them have One halfe of y^e Said barrell of powder w^{ch} the Towne did yeeld unto. And thereuppon granted him the said lott conteyning ffoure acres; wth this provision that if the Town did pay into him the summe of Seaven pounds in wheat wthin One yeere for y^e said powder then the said lott is to retorne into y^e Townes hands:

Likewise it is by vote declared that y^e high way laid out by the p'sent Select Men on the back side of Lieut Coopers hill over Agawam River shalbe the way for passing into y^e Comone that way, w^{ch} the Inhabitants on y^e West Side of y^e great River are to make according to y^e Ord^r of y^e Select Men, when y^e said Inhabitants shall fynd necessity thereof:

Nov: 26th 1668. At a Towne meeting in reference chiefly to Satisfying m^r Glover pleadyng the inconveniency of his house, and telling us, That his Stipend will not enable him to build for his conveniency: It was voted & concluded y^t y^e Town will make an addition to his house, much what answerable to the new addition y^t Nathaneel Ely, hath made to his house: And for carrying on of the work Capt Pynchon George Colton Nathaneel Ely & Lieut Cooper are chosea & Ordered to agree wth a workman to doe y^e said work: And y^e said 3 p'sons or any three of them are Ordered to See y^t y^e work be carryed on to effect: And what agreement shal be made by them about the work shalbe p'formed by the Towne; and the Select Men are to make a rate for payment for y^e work.

Att y^e Said Town meeting Serjeant Stebbin requesting of the Towne, that he may exchange his foure acres of Meddow that lye a little below Robert Ashleyes house, for soe much of the Townes meddow Lott w^{ch} adjoynes to the Northerly Side of the Said ffoure acres, that is to Say that he might have the uppermost ffoure acres out of the Townes Meddow for his s^d ffoure acres: The Town did by vote leave it to y^e Select Men to take a veiw of the Said lands, and to make a conclusion off or on wth Serjeant Stebbin as they should See cause: The Select Men veiued those lands the Same day, & doe con-

ceive that the Town will be noe looser by Such exchange of lands wth Serjeant Stebbin: And therefore doe determine that his desires therein shalbe graunted: And where as the s^d Serjeants meddow is ditched at both ends, he casts that into the bargayne: [III—61.]

At y^e Gene^{rl}l Towne Meeting on y^e first Tuesday in ffebruary being y^e 2^e day of the Month Anno Dm 1668.

Capt Pynchon is chosen Moderator for y^e Town Meeting this day.

Nathaneell Ely & Samuell Marshfeild are chosen a Committee to examine the acc^o of y^e Select Men y^e yeere now last past.

Capt Pynchon Quartm^r Colton Nathaneell Ely Samuel Marshfeild & Lawrence Bliss are chosen for Select Townes Men for y^e yeere ensuing: Who are impowered to act as in page 5th of this Book:

Jonathan Taylor is chosen Constable for y^e yeere ensueing who had his oath administered to him respecting that Office by y^e Worp^{ll} Capt Pynchon.

Elizur Holyoke is chosen to be Clerke or Recorder to the Towne for y^e yeere ensuing:

The Select Men above chosen are likewise for the yeere ensuing Ordered & appoynted a Committee for granting of lands y^t lye in Comon & undisposed of accordinge as they see reason & necessity.

Nathaneell Ely & Samuell Marshfeild are chosen for Measurers of lands in this Towne for the yeere ensueing: eyther of y^m to doe the work as they are thereunto called:

William Warrener & John Keepe are chosen Surveyo^rs for the Countrey high wayes of this Towne for the yeere ensuing.

Likewise for Haywards for y^e Severall Comon ffields of this Town there were chosen:

John Clarke for y^e house lotts.

John Hitchcock for y^e playne & 3 Corner Meddow.

Obadiah Miller for y^e playne & 3 Corner Meddow.

Riv^r over ag^t y^e Towne.

Edmund Prinridayes for y^e playne called Chickuppe.

And Samuell Ely for y^e Long Meddow.

[III—62.]

At this Gen^ll Towne Meeting, The Town granted unto Abell Wright upon his request certayn lands at Worronoco, That is to Say Ten Acres on y^e South side of Worronoco River & on y^e Westerly side of y^e little River by the fort, w^{ch} Ten acres is to lye up y^e River above y^e fence: Also Ten acres on y^e North side of y^e River beyond y^e Cellars: And ffourteen acres of Meddowish Land up the little River, former grannts being first laid out: Also a house lott of Six acres.

And Whereas Serj: Stebbin hath had a grannt of lands at Worronoco, on Condition y^t he goe thither to settle & dwell, he fynding y^t he cannot well remoove thither & yet having been at much paynes & charge to pmote the good of y^e place, he now requests of y^e Town y^t his said grannt of land there may devolve upon One of his Sons: Whereupon y^e Town did vote & deterrmie y^t One of his Sons shall have the said lands, (on y^e Same Conditions y^t his father had y^e grannt) if the people there shall approve of him: and if they shall not approve of him then Serjantt Stebbin shall have liberty to make sale of y^e said lands Soe grannted pvided it be to one y^t the people there shall approve of to come & dwell there:

Also there is grannted unto John Mun tenne acres of lande at Worronoco where Abell Wright hath his ten acres on y^e North side of y^e River & Tenne acres wth Abell Wrights 14 acres up y^e little River & a home lott. This grannt & y^e grannt to Abell Wright are on Condition that they goe thither to dwell before the next winter & y^t they continue there five yeeres from y^t tyme:

Also there is grannted to Thomas Noble a little peece of land at Worronoco of about an ac^r on y^e side of y^e hill above the Indian fort there, pvided it be noe hindrance to any high way already laid out or to be laid out & y^t it be not intangled by any other grant.

The Inhabitants at Worronoco by m^r James Cornish

Thomas Dewey & Thomas Noble making severall ppositions to this Plantation at this Town Meetinge, namely, That we would determine the bounds betwixt us & them, & settle where the line shall run betwixt us, as also that wee would appoint the Comittee or some other to Order their prudentill affaires or allow them to be a Township, that they might Order their owne matters, And further y^t wee would deputy some [III—63.] Persons to lay out y^e Six miles Square granted them by the Gen^{ll} Co^rte & by the said Corte appoynted to be laid out by this Towne or Some p^ons deputed by us.

This towne did take into consideration y^e said p^oiculars, And being willing to pmote & further them being a Township, Did in y^e first place vote & determine, to allow them most of the land on the other side of Paucatuck brook by Woronoco River on y^e Northerly side of y^e s^d River: And for settling that line betwixt us & them, George Colton Nathaneell Ely & Rowland Thomas are chosen appoynted & impowered to veiw & take notice of the lands thereabout, & to consider where about on y^e West^{ly} side of Paucatuck brooke they shall conceive it is most meete the Lyne betwixt us & Them should run, that is to say from Agawam or Worronoco Riv^r: & Soe Northerly or Norwest^{ly} towards Northampton: And accordingly y^e afore said Persons have power to determine & to fix the bounds betwixt us & them in that quarter: And at that place where the dividing line comes to y^e River it is to cross the River to the South side of the River, And from thence towards Windsor a direct South Lyne is to be the bounds betweene us & them, except it will not take in the Ledge of mountaynes for Worronoco, w^{ch} if it doe not, then it is hereby Ordered & granted, that this Lyne on the South side of Agawam river shall run Soe much East^{ly} from y^e South as to give them the Mountaynes, & then the ledge of Mountaynes is to be the bounds betwixt us & them: And y^e said p^ons thus chosen to run the Lyne betweene Vs & Them are to make returne of their worke to this Town y^t it may be entered in y^e Publike Record of y^e Towne.

In y^e next place as to allowing them to be a Township & releasing them from Vs. This Towne doth determine order & appoynt, That y^e Committee now in being, formerly chosen for granting lands & ordering matters at Worrnoco, Soe as might best conduce to make them a Town of themselves vizt Capt John Pynchon Elizur Holyoke George Colton Benjamin Cooley & Nathaneel Ely shall at Some convenient tyme after this Town Meeting repaire to Woronoco & Settle all matters touching that place referring to grants & orders made by the said Committee, wth all affaires they have taken in hand, And haveing rectifyed all things after their own best judgm^t, & Sett them in as good a posture as they can, Then the aforesaid Committee wth y^e Inhabitants there are to make choyce of a meete number of y^e fittest [III—64.] Persons there, for ordering their Prndentiall affaires, And to choose them a Clark or Recorder Surveyors of high wayes a Constable & other needfull officers: And the Committee haveing thus managed matters & furthered their work for a Township, the Committee are to be discharged of their trust, And y^e Inhabitants there are to be left to themselves to order their owne matters, or as the Honno^d Gen^ll Corte shall further Order: And wee hope the Corte will see cause to Order them to be a Township & that they through the favo^r of God may grow up into a comfortable Society, & be a happy Neighbo^rhood to Vs & Our ffreinds & theirs:

And Whereas the Honno^d Gen^ll Corte in October last uppon a petition presented to y^m from y^e People dwelling at Woronoco, for inlargm^t of their accommodations of land, & Did make an addition of land to them to y^e Content of Six mile square, & left it to this Town of Springfeild or whom we should appoynt for y^e managm^t of y^e matter: This Towne doth now therefore Order & appoynt m^r James Cornish John Roote Thomas Dewey & John Sackett or any three of them to lay out the aforesaid grannt of land adjoyning to what is already allowed them from this Towne, or as shalbe most to y^e advantage of y^e Inhabitants of Worrnoco: only they are not to intrench uppon y^e bounds fixt & Sett, or to be Sett as aforesaid between them & Vs.

The brand mark for this Towne appoynted by the Gen^{ll} Co^rte being after the forme Sett in y^e Margent being an S & P conjoynd:

The Towne did at this Gene^{ll} Meeting appoynt Samuell Marshfeild to keepe y^e Said brand mark & to brand therewth y^e horses belonging to this Plantation: for his labo^r wherein because there are many horses to be branded, he is to have for y^e p^rsent but two pence p horse for those y^t he shall brand, but hereafter he is to have Three pence p horse for all that he shall brand:

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June 18th 1669. A Towne Meeting being called in respect of Our Revrdnd Teacher m^r Glover, lately declaring himself as purposed to leave his work & Station as to this place, chiefly for that he app^rhends that Wee are not able comfortably to maynteyne him: The Towne haveing discussed the thing, & examined their owne abilities, did by Vote conclude to stand their apprehensions to Our Revrd Teacher m^r Glover in writing w^{ch} was p^resently done accordingly: A Cobby whereof here follows:

S^t. Wee are very much affected wth this Sad providence by this Motion of yo^rs for leaving us, & the rather beinge soe sensible of Our generall inability to increase your Stipend at p^rsent, by reason of Gods hand upon us by the flood & blast, & that at such a tyme as we have taken in hand the building of a house for you w^{ch} through the help of God, we shall goe on wth, the cost whereof wilbe neere One Hundred pounds to us, besides the 80£ of yo^r Stipend w^{ch} by the Lords assistance we shall endeavour punctually to pforme, & make good in y^e best manner we can, notwthstanding all the difficulties of the yeere w^{ch} doe retard our doing further or more at p^rsent: but yet if the Lord enable us we shall for future according as yo^r needs call for it enlarge, & doe to our utmost ability & that according as God shall bless us; that soe you may live honno^r-ably & wthout distraction in your employ^{mt}: And we intreat yo^r acceptance of these our syncere intentions, & the manifestations of yo^r love & affections to us, by yo^r cheerfull going

on in yo^r Ministeriall work (in this place) w^{ch} wee take soe much contention & cannot neyther dare quitt our interest in, but must according to God hold it fast to our utmost all words of parting being like darts forbid the thoughts of Change.

Elizur Holyoke Record^r in
the Name & by y^e appoyntm^t
of the Towne.

Springfeild
Mons: 4: 18th 1669.

These for the Reverend m^r Pelatiah Glover, Minister of the Word in Springfeild:

The Originall hereof was sent to m^r Glover (by Capt Pynchon & others) from the Town meeting, who p^used it, but then Hee much insisted on his desire for a release from us: for he Said he knew we were not able to adde to what we doe, w^{ch} he said would not mainteyne Him but urging for his liberty he said his mind was gone. Which returne of His was p^rsented to the Towne at y^e same Meeting.

[III—66.]

ffebr 12th 1669. Att a meeting of y^e Select Men: Whereas there is a high way above y^e Comon fence on y^e West side of y^e great River laid Twenty rod wide by y^e comon fence towards Agawam River & ordered it to be continued Soe wide till it came over the wett meddow or further. It was Ordered y^t the s^d high way shall be continued Twenty rod wide all along by y^e Said fence to Agawam River. This ptly for high way sake & ptly for comonage for Cattle: 20 rod wide is to be alwayes continued comon from y^e great River to Agawam River:

Aprill 7th 1669. At a meeting of y^e Select Men Eliakim Hitchcock of New haven desiring to be admitted into this Township to dwell hath liberty soe to doe provided he bring certificate from New haven y^t he is an Orderly liver: & that his father there desire it & assist him in his remoove & y^t he peure 2 sufficient men of this Town to enter into 30£ bond to secure the Town from any charge that may any way arise to this Township by y^t said Hitchcock or any of his family.

Aprill: 23: 69: Att a Meeting of y^e Select Men:

Among other things they made this Order followinge. Where as Severall p[']sons complayn y^t they cannot gett their neighbo[']s where their fences is in p[']ticular to make up their fence sufficient, & ail because the veiwers are not requireable to veiw p[']ticular & Partionall fences: And Whereas the Town Ord^r sayth y^t p[']ticular fence betwixt lott & lott shalbe ordered by y^e Select Men: The Select Men doe now therefore Order y^t where there are complaynts ag^t neighbors in y^t kind in such case when eyther neighbo[']s desires it; the Veiwers yeerely appoynted shall veiw such ptional fences from tyme to tyme and shall have power to allow or disallowe of them according as they doe or may the gen[']ll & comon fences of Corn ffields: w^{ch} fence disallowed or declared defective by any veiwers shall forthwith by the Proprietor or owner of it amended & made sufficient to the secure his neighbour from damage according to the judgm^t of y^e veiwers.

[III—67.]

October y^e 5th 1669. This Town at y^e Gen[']ll Town Meeting on y^e 2^d day of febr last, upon y^e desire of y^e Inhabitants of Westfeild propounded to this Plantation at y^e said meeting vizt y^t this Town would Order & settle the bounds in the lands betwixt this Town & them, Did appoynt a Committee viz Quarterm^r Colton Nathaneel Ely & Rowland Thomas for y^t work as in y^e Ord^r of febr^r 2^d 68 more at large appeareth: And the said Committee Did on this 5th day of October 1669 repaire to y^e lands about Paucatuck, & haveing taken good survey of the lands thereabout, Did come to a resolution what shalbe accounted the bounds betwixt this Town of Springfield & y^e Town of Westfeild in respect of y^e lands, on y^e North side of Woronok River: And therefore in Order to fixing the bounds betwixt Vs & Them in that quarter, the said Committee concluded & determined y^t a du North lyne from a white Oak tree neere the Said River, w^{ch} y^e said Committee marked, shall be & be accounted the bounds betweene Our Town of Springfield & the Towne of Westfeild: The said white Oak Soe mark^t is between y^e two first dingles be-

yond y^e low lands at Paucatuck & neere the furthest of y^e two dingles: And because from y^e said marked tree right cross the River & thence Southerly a direct South lyne will not take in y^e Mountayne for y^e Town of Westfeild therefore the Mountayne is to be the bounds betwixt Our Town & Westfeild according as Our Townes said act of february last doth determine: And herein the Said Committee fully agreeing have hereunto sett their hands:

Jan: 3, 1669: At a meeting of y^e Select Men: Amongst other their acts. A motion being made in writing by Joseph Parsons of Northampton for liberty to purchase a pcell of land (belonging to this Township) of Thomas Copley, w^{ch} land lyes at y^e foot of y^e higher falls in y^e great River his desire therein is granted as also liberty for him to build on y^e said land is granted him according to his desire:

[11—68.]

Att y^e Gen^{ll} Towne Meetinge on the 1st Tuesday in ffebr: being y^e 1st day of y^e Month Anno Dm 1669.

Capt Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this Towne Meetinge:

Leint Cooper & Deacon Chapin are chosen a Committee to examine the accounts given in by the Select Men now going off: And y^e s^d Committee attended y^e work:

Capt Holyoke Leint Cooper Ens: Cooley Benjamin Parsons & Henry Chapin are chosen Select Men for the yeere ensueing who are to order the Prudentiall affaires of the Town as y^e Law directs & as is declared in page 5th of this booke:

Also Capt Holyoke is chosen Record^t to this Town for y^e yeere ensueinge.

Sammell Terry is chosen Constable for y^e yeere ensueing who had y^e Oath respecting y^t Office administered to him by y^e Worpp^{ll} Capt Pynchon.

Nathaneell Ely & Samuell Marshfeild are chosen Land Measurers for y^e yeere ensueinge:

John Clark & John Bliss are chosen Surveyo^rs for y^e Countrey high wayes for y^e yeere ensueinge.

The Select Men above mentioned as chosen, are for y^e

yeere ensuing impowered to grannt lands y^t lye in comon according as they shall app^rhend reasonable & necessary:

The Haywards for y^e Severall comon feilds chosen for y^e yeere ensuing are Thomas Miller for y^e ffeild over y^e River: opposite y^e Town. Rice Bedortha for Chickuppe ffeild. John Clarke for y^e Home Lotts: John Keepe for y^e Long Meddow.

It is agreed & determined y^t for want of a pound at Chickuppe a good yard shall be allowed & accounted to pass for a pound:

It is ordered that the Select Men Henceforward from tyme, when they shall have occasion to meete a day to order y^e Town affaires, their necessary expences for y^r dinners shalbe allowed & paid by the Towne.

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ffurthermore the Town calling over former acc^{ts} & fynding due to y^e Towne

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The Town voted that the p^sons w^{ch} were Select men in those yeeres cleare the acco^{ts} & pay in those Summes making 4£ 13^s 7^d to the Committee for m^r Glovers house, & doe hereby impower the s^d Comittee vizt Capt Pynchon George Colton Leint Cooper & Nathaneell Ely or any 3 of them to recover the Same:

The Inhabitants over the River are freed from y^e Countrey high wayes this next yeere upon condition they finish the high way begun over the West Meddow neere Samuell Marshfeilds And in case they neglect to make y^t way a sufficient high way this next summer; for y^t neglect they shall next yeere allow to the Country high way over & above their then proportion Soe much more as they are this yeere freed from it.

The Towne taking notice of much charge about high wayes; & p'ticularly about the Long Meddow bridge w^{ch} is observed to be more used by Hadley then by this Towne: And remembring y^t in y^e settlem^t of y^e charge about bridges in the County roade wayes It was agreed y^t Hadley should allow towards y^e charge of that bridge in case it appeared their use should be considerable: It is therefore ordered that y^e Select Men take care thereof & write to Hadley that their joyning & carrying on what is needfull & reasonable therein be by them attended: that this Towne havinge done much to y^t bridge they may doe what is remayning to be done about it.

fforasmuch as there hath been hitherto some neglect in p'viding for y^e deputy w^{ch} this Towne sends yeerly to y^e Gen^{ll} Corte, pay not [III—70.] being Seasonably had in for him by meanes whereof many tymes his diet at Boston is too long unsatisfyed for, besides other discouragm^ts for want of wherewth to defray his necessary expences, All w^{ch} to p^rvent for future: It is Ordered y^t henceforth there shall be a sett allowance to y^e Deputy w^{ch} this Towne shall send to y^e Gen^{ll} Co^rte: Vizt ffoure pounds for his tyme horse & all his expences at One Session of the Co^rte or by reason of his attendance thereatt w^{ch} ffoure pound shall alwayes be paid to y^e deputy before hand & that in good pay at least three pounds of it in wheat: but in case y^e yeeres proove any thing toller-able for wheat the whole pay to be in y^t grayne unless any can pay him in money, yet however at any tyme he is not to have above 20^s in Indian corn or other grayn besides wheate unless he desire it: And for y^e yeere now next coming by reason of the Townes want of pay in hand: Capt Pynchon pffers to give 20^s towards it, & the Town orders y^t y^e other three pound shall be raysed on the Inhabitants forthwth & all to be speedily gathered in & delivered to him that shall be chosen Deputy for the first Session of the next Gen^{ll} Co^rte that Soe he may have it to turne into money for his best advantage: And for future y^e Select Men from tyme to tyme are yearly before their going out of their places to adde into other Town

charges this foure pounds every yeare to be rayseed on the Inhabitants of this Towne for their Deputy: And out of what the Select Men have & are hereby inabled to have in hand of the Townes, they are hereby injoynd alwayes in y^e first place to pvide & take care that the Deputy to serve may have the summe aforesaid delivered unto him at least three pound of it in wheate as aforesaid or in pay equivalent to wheat or money that soe all just discouragmts on our Deputyes may henceforth be avoyded by such seasonable allowance to him for his tyme & expenses:

[III—71.]

Att a Town Meeting March 23^d 1669-70 This Towne having formerly appoynted m^r James Cornish John Roote John Sackutt & Thomas Dewey or any three of them to lay out the quantity of Six mile Square grannted to Westfeild by the Hono^rd Gen^ll Corte, And finding that y^e aformentioned p^ons have hitherto soe neglected the said work that unless some speedy course be taken or others appoynted thereunto that shall more readily attend it, Wee shallbe altogether unable to render an account to y^e next Gen^ll Corte Therefore considering the act of the Gene^ll Corte leaving y^t worke to our Town & that there may be noe further needless neglect on our pat: This Town doth now order & appoynt Capt Holyoke Quart^m Colton Rowland Thomas & Samuell Marshfeild to y^e said work hereby calling in & making voyd the power we conferred upon m^r Cornish & the rest above said forasmuch as they have not done their work in their yeere: And the Said Capt Holyoke Quart^m Colton Samll Marshfeild & Rowland Thomas or any three of them are hereby appoynted a Committee whom this Towne doth now order & impower to lay out the content of Six Mile Square grannted to Westfeild & Ordered by the Gen^ll Co^rte to be laid out by some that Springfeild should appoynt thereunto: All w^{ch} worke is to be done by the Said Capt Holyoke Quart^m Colton Samuell Marshfeild & Rowland Thomas or any three of them are hereby appoynted a Committee whom this Towne doth now order & impower to lay out the content

of Six Mile Square granted to Westfeild & Ordered by the Gen^ll Co^rte to be laid out by Some that Springfeild should appoynt thereunto: All w^{ch} work is to be done by the Said Capt Holyoke Quarterm^r Colton Samu^ell Marshfeild & Rowland Thomas or any three of them before the 15th day of Aprill next: wherefore they are forthwth to acquaynt the Inhabitants of Westfeild herewth & inform them of & appoynt the tyme when they shall attend y^e work, that Soe Westfeild may have opportunity to depute & Send Some p^rsons to goe along wth them to consider & advise about the convenient laying out of the aforesaid tract of land & to observe & take notice where their bounds shalbe laid: And all being done & effected by our now impow^{er}ed comittee they are to give an account thereof to this Towne that returne thereof may be made to the Honno^d Gen^ll Corte.

[III—72.]

Here followeth y^e Returne of the Comittee (mentioned in y^e foregoing page) appoynted by this Towne to lay out the Six mile Square granted to Westfeild (for their Township) by y^e Gen^ll Co^rte Which Returne was p^rsented to this Towne and a copy thereof sent to the Generall Corte.

Springfeild Aprill y^e 14th 1670.

We whose Names are here subscribed being a Comittee appoynted by the Town of Springfeild for y^e Laying out the quantity of Six mile Square granted to Westfeild by the Honno^d Gen^ll Corte have attended the said Work: And therefore doe hereby declare how their Said quantity of land shall lye, that is to say, The Said quantity of land is laid out to them five Mile broad at y^e Northerly end thereof, extending from a Pine tree marked at the East Mountayne to a White Oak marked at the West Mountayne, and it runneth Southerly Nine Mile that is to say from the Said Pine tree, holding the course of the South South West poynt upon the Meridian compass. And at the Southerly end of their Nine Mile their limits are ffoure mile broad Westward: And the ledge of Mountaynes is to be the bounds between Springfeild & Westfeild: Within this tract of land there is conteyned the

quantity of about three Square Miles granted before by Springfield to Westfield and about the quantity of two square miles in reference to the farmes of the Worthy Major Atherton & Capt. Clapp.

At a Town Meeting Aprill y^e 17th 1670. The Inhabitants of Westfield intreating for Some more accommodations of land towards Springfield then was formerly granted them by Springfield, that is to say Some enlargem^t on this Side of the Mountayne w^{ch} is on y^e South Side of their River: This Town doth grantt unto them All the land between y^t bridge called Logg bridge & the Mountayne that is to Say all y^e land that lyeth between the mountayne & a direct lyne drawn from the Said bridge to a white Oake marked about 30 ro:l from y^e North^{ly} end of the pond that lyes by y^e East Side of y^e Mountayne & w^{ch} is about a mile from y^e Said bridge: And from the Said marked tree the dividing lyne is drawn to y^e Mountayne: And then they are to keepe to y^e Mountayne as the bounds between them & us. And from the Said bridge down to Woronoke River that little brook or gutter is to be the bounds between Vs & them.

[III—73.]

October y^e 12th 1670. Att a meeting of the Select Men they being all p^rsent.

It is ordered that there shalbe a high way of 5 or 6 rod broad from y^e way that leades to y^e Mill up to y^e cart bridge that is over the Mill River & Soe from that bridge up into the Pyne playne on y^e South side of y^e Mill River, to be laid in place most convenient by Benjamin Parsons Jonathan Burt & Nathaneel Pritchard.

It is Ordered that there shalbe a high way by the fence on the back side of the Long Meddow, (vizt within the fence) two rod broad from Nathaneell Burts upper lott down to y^e bridge (over Long Meddow brook) in y^e way by the River along thorow Nathaneel Burts upper lott, to the backer fence by the pond: This being for passage into y^e Woods y^t way: This Highway Capt Pynchon p^resteth ag^t: vizt that by his mill mentioned above: Feby 7 70.

Att y^e Gen^ll Town Meeting ffebr. 7, 1670. The Worppll Capt Pynchon is chosen Moderato^r for this Town Meeting.

Samuell Marshfeild & George Colton are chosen a Comittee to examine y^e accots of y^e Select Men y^t are now going off.

Capt Pynchon George Colton Samuell Marshfeild Rowland Thomas & John Dumbleton are chosen for Select men for y^e yeere ensueing, to order y^e Prudentiall affaires of this Towne: Who also have power to grannt lands y^t lye in Comon & undisposed of in this Township as they See necessary & convenient.

Capt Holyoke chosen Recorder to y^e Town for y^e yeere who is to have 20^s allowed him for his work this yeere in keeping y^e Town Records & entering such things as concerned the Town in gen^ll:

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Jonathan Ashley constable for y^e yeere ensueing had his Oath administered by y^e Worth Capt Pynchon.

Samuell Marshfeild & Nathaneell Ely chosen Measurers of lands, for y^e yeere ensueinge.

Anthony Dorchester & Timothy Cooper are chosen Surveyo^rs of y^e County wayes for y^e yeere ensueinge.

Nathaneel Burt is freed of work to y^e County high wayes this yeere in regard of charges of wayes for his own use w^{ch} others also have benefitt.

Capt Pynchon Elizur Holyoke George Colton Samuell Marshfeild Nath: Ely & Serj: Stebbin are chosen a Comittee to consider of high wayes and to determine both where they shall lye & who shalbe called to make & maynteyne y^e same:

Haywards chosen for y^e gen^ll or comon feilds are John Clarke for y^e home lotts. Edward ffoster for y^e ffeilds on y^e West side of y^e great River opposite to y^e Towne: John Bagg for y^e ffeild called Chickuppe Isaack Colton for y^e Long Meddow:

ffurthermore at this Towne Meeting it is ordered that if any lands be grannted hereafter to any person the wood & tymber upon such lands shall be free for any p^{sons} to take as they shall need till such lands shall be fenced:

Also it is ordered that the little swamp conteyning about five acres lying on y^e left hand of y^e way down to Symon Bemons under y^e hill shall lye common ppetually & shall not be disposed of to any p'ticular p'sons:

ffeb 13, 1670. Liberty is granted to John Bliss to build on his land in the Long Meddow at the end of his lott next y^e pond & the land there at the end of his lott to the pond side is now granted unto him, if it were not his by former grant.

Samuell Barber of Windsor is admitted an Inhabitant & his brother John Barber byndeth himself in the sum of Twenty pounds to the Select Men of this Towne from tyme to tyme to save the Towne from any charge y^t may arise to the Towne by the s^d Samuell Barber or any of his: Witness his hand:
Jan. 1, 1671. John Barber.

[111—75.]

Att y^e Gen^{ll} Town Meeting febr 6 71. Major Pynchon is chosen Moderato^r for this Town Meetinge.

Deacon Chapin & Eli Holyoke Sen^r chosen for a Committee to examine the acco^{ts} of the Select men y^t are now going of:

Nathaneel Ely Ens Cooley Benjamin Parsons Anthony Dorchester & Elizur Holyoke Sen^r are chosen Select Men to order y^e prudentiall affaires of the Town for y^e yeere ensuing who also have power to grant lands as they see cause & to act in other things comon to y^e Select men:

Elizur Holyoke Sen^r is chosen Towne Clarke for y^e yeere ensuinge:

Samuell Marshfeild is chosen Measurer of lands for this yeere ensuinge:

Charles fferry chosen Constable & Sworne:

Jonathan Burt & W^m Warren^r are chosen Surveyo^{rs} for y^e County high wayes for this yeere ensuinge:

Haywards for y^e Comon feilds for this yeere there are chosen: ffor y^e feild right over y^e River ag^t y^e Towne, John Barber. Edmund Prinridayes for y^e feild called Chickuppe whose yard shalbe accounted a pound for y^t feild: ffor Long Meddow John Keepe whose yard also is allowed of for a pound:

At the Gen^ll Town Meeting this following Order was made & concluded upon: Whereas it is found by experience that the Causey over ag^t Thomas Dayes is much annoyed by waters that come from the Springs in the hills over the meddow & by land floods w^{ch} annoyance is occasioned ptly by the want of a passage downward for those waters by reason of interruption from y^e Proprietors of the Meddows by ditches or banks or other meanes w^{ch} stop those waters: It is hereby Ordered that all such annoyances by ditches banks or any other Stops of the water made or occasioned by the proprietors of those meddowes shalbe remooved & the water allowed free passage wthout interruption upon penalty of Twenty shillings to be forfeited & paid to y^e Town by such proprietors as shall occasion the stopping or damming up of the water to the [III—76.] annoyance of the said Causey or y^e Neighbo^rs meddowes it being expected & intended that each proprietor allow a passage by a gutter made cross each mans meddow sufficient to carry all the water in Soe low or soe farre downward as till it may be brought conveniently into the brooke before the Street. And the Surveyors of the high wayes are from tyme to tyme to give notice to the Select men of any Such annoyance that shalbe in their judgm^t continued that soe the penalty may be levyed for y^e Towne upon such p^rsons as are culpable by this order:

At this Gen^ll Town meeting also y^e Town did Sett order & appoynt these prizes hereafter mentioned to be y^e currant prizes for corne vizt wheat at 3^s 6^d p bush, pease at 3^s, Rye at 3^s barley 4^s Indian corn at 2s 6^d p bu:

At a Town Meeting August 16th 1672. Leint Cooper is chosen Comission^r to joyne wth y^e Select Men for making y^e Countrey Rate for this yeere.

John Hitchcock is chosen Constable:

Anthony Dorchester & Miles Morgan are chosen a Committee to take care & Order for fynishing m^r Glovers house: vizt for y^e doing what the Town is to doe: These 2 men are to reparre to y^e Select Men who are to levy a rate on y^e estate of the Plantation for enabling them to y^e worke.

Theres grannted that John Gilbert shall have 2 bush of Indian corne allowed him over & above what he had for y^e glass for m^r Glovers house. he complayning of y^e meanness of his pay: Goodm: Dorchester p^d this 2 bush Indian corne for w^{ch} he is paid in 2 barrells y^t came wth lyme this Order by y^e Select men Jan 2, 1672:

[III—77.]

Att y^e Gen^{ll} Towne Meetinge ffebr: y^e 4th 1672:

The Worppll Major Pynchon is chosen Moderato^r for this Town Meeting:

Quarterm^r Colton & Samuel Marshfeild are chosen a Committee to examine y^e accountes of the Select Men who now goe off:

Quarterm^r Colton Samuel Marshfeild Leuit Cooper John Dumbleton & Henry Chapin are chosen Select Men for y^e yeere ensueing for the Ordering the Prudentiall affaires of the Town.

Elizur Holyoke Sen^r is chosen Record^r for the yeere ensueing:

Wm Warrener is chosen Constable for the yeere ensueing:

Samll Marshfeild & Serj: Stebbin are chosen Measurers of land for y^e yeere ensueing.

Jonathan Ashley & John Dorchester are chosen Surveyors for y^e County high wayes for the yeere ensueinge.

Att this Meeting there were chosen Haywards for y^e Comon feilds: vizt:

Jonathan Taylor for y^e feilds on y^e West side of the River over ag^t y^e Towne:

Rice Bedortha for y^e feilds called Chickuppe: And Ephraim Colton for y^e Long meddow:

Obadiah Cooley & David Lumbar upon their motion have liberty grannted for security of their own & the Comon feildes to make a fence cross the high way to y^e Lower wharfe wth a gate for passage thorough who in consideration thereof are to have y^e priviledge of the herbage of y^e said way to themselves. Soe long as they shall maynteyne such fence & gate to secure y^e feilds.

It is Ordered that John Harmon the p'sent Surveyor & all successive Surveyo's of the high way up the Long hill over the Mill River shall also take into his & their care & charge the [III—78.] repaying the way up by Major Pynchons Mill & Soe forward to the bridge y^t is over Mill River & likewise the repaying of the said bridge:

Whereas by a late Law of the Countrey made: It is Ordered that such p'sons as have liberty of voting in Towne affaires must be of 80£ rate rateable to a single Countrey Rate, yet not to cutt off the said priviledge from them that had liberty by a form^r law wherein is exp'sed that if persons have 20£ estate rateable to a single Countrey rate (wth other condition) they shall have y^e Same priviledge: This Towne doth now Order y^t the Recorder for y^e Town shall joyn wth y^e Select Men to examine by form^r Rates to y^e Countrey what persons of this Plantation now residing amongst us have at any tyme had by law that priviledge. And that then the Recorder shall enter their names in y^e Towne Books: Their Names See in y^e next page.

Whereas y^e Indian Wecombo vizt the old blind Indian doth challenge the tymber of y^e Cedar Swamps at Manchonis as also y^e meddowes on y^e Mill River together wth the upland there about as farr as Chickuppe River: And Wequagan & laying clayme to all the lands uplands and meddowes (from Wecombo his clayme,) downwards as farr as ffresh water River. The Towne doth now Order that y^e Worshippll Major Pynchon together wth Elizur Holyoke Quartrm^r Colton Ensign Cooly Samll Marshfeild and Anthony Dorchester shall have full power to treate wth y^e Said Indians both to examine what lands they challenge as theirs and what they own or can be proved to be ours, & to make purchase of what they judge needfull for the Town: And that the purchase y^t m^r Pynchon made & paid Some yeeres since for y^e Meddowes & wood lands over Agawam River shallbe repayed him by the Towne, & that such as have grants & proprietyes of lands wthin these purchases shall pay by the acre for those grannts 10 tymes as much as y^e other lands come to by y^e acre:

And it is further ordered that the County Record^r shall record in the County Records all deeds that concerne any lands purchased of y^e Indians and that he shall be paid for his labour therein:

At a Court of General Sessions of the Peace holden at Northampton wthin & for the County of Hampshire on the first Tuesday of December being the second day 1701. Ordered that for the future Joseph Warriner of Springfield his Pole be freed from al Rates.

Copy as appeares of Record examined p John Pynchon Clerk Transcribed here from said Copy, & is a true Copy Compared y^r wth attest John Holyoke Clerke for s^d Town of Springfield. [III—79.]

[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

Here followeth a List of y^e Names of the p^rsent Inhabitants of this Towne of Springfield who according to y^e provisions & tearmes of a late law of the Countrey made have y^e privilege of voting in Town affaires &c Whose Names by y^e Towne Ord^r in y^e former page were to be entered in this booke:

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| The Worppll | Nathaneell Ely |
| Majo ^r John Pynchon | John Clarke |
| M ^r Pelatiah Glover | Lawrence Bliss |
| Rowland Thomas | John Matthews |
| Jeremy Horton | James Osborne |
| Abell Wright | John Harman |
| Japhet Chapin | Nathaneell Pritchard |
| Henry Chapin | Benjamin Parsons |
| Joseph Crowfoote | Samuell Bliss Sen ^r |
| William Brookes | Anthony Dorchester |
| John Bagg | John Dorchester |
| Rice Bedortha | Richard Sikes |
| John Riley | Increase Sikes |
| Samuell Marshfeild | Serjant Jonathan Burt |
| Griffith Jones | David Lumbard |
| Obadiah Miller | Ensigne Cooley |
| John Barber Sen ^r | Obadiah Cooley |

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| John Dumbleton | John Bliss |
| Jonathan Taylor | Quartm ^r Colton |
| Edward Foster | Isaak Colton |
| Thomas Miller | Ephraim Colton |
| John Leonard | Tho Colton |
| Leit Cooper | John Keepe |
| Joseph Leonard | Samuel Ely |
| Thomas Cooper Jun ^r | Nathaneell Burt |
| Samuell Terry | Samuell Bliss Jun ^r |
| John Lamb | Samuell Stebbin |
| Robert Ashley | Luke Hitchcock |
| Jonathan Ashley | Victory Sikes |
| Serjant Morgan | Isaac Cakebread |
| William Branch | John Warner |
| Elizur Holyoke | David Morgan |
| Timothy Cooper | Joseph Stebbins |
| Deacon Chapin | |
| John Hitchcock | |
| William Warrener | |
| James Warrener | |
| Serjant Stebbin | |
| Benjamin Munn | |
| Thomas Day | |
| Charles fferry | |
| Thomas Mirick | |
| Thos Stebins | |
| Samuell Ball | |

Note by the Transcriber of this copy:—A second list of the inhabitants of Springfield who “have the priviledge of voting in Town affaires,” was entered on page 79 of the original records, the date of entry of which is not given on that page. The first list is in the hand of Elizur Holyoke and the second in the hand of his eldest son John Holyoke and was made some time after the death of his father in 1676, and is as follows:—

The worppll
Majo^r Jn^o Pynchon

| | |
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| The Revd Mr Pelatiah Glover | Jn ^o Dorchester |
| Rowld Thomas | James Sikes |
| Abel Wright | Increase Sikes |
| Henry Chapin | Deacon Burt |
| Joseph Berdortha | Luke Hitchcock |
| Japhet Chapin | David Lumbard |
| Samll Marshfeild | Ensign Cooley |
| Jn ^o Dumbleton | Obadiah Cooley |
| Edwd Foster | Jn ^o Bliss |
| Joseph Leonard | Quart ^r m ^r Coulton |
| Samll Terry | Isaac Coulton |
| John Lamb | Ephr: Coulton |
| Miles Morgan | Tho: Coulton |
| David Morgan | Nathanll Burt |
| John Holyoke | Samll Bliss Jun ^r |
| John Hitchcock | Samll Stebbin |
| Jam: Warrener | Thomas Stebbin |
| Joseph Stebbin | Jose Ashley |
| Samuel Ball | Daniel Cooley |
| Tho Day | Tho: Cooper |
| Tho: Mirick | Eliakim Cooley |
| Samuel Ely | Nathnll Bliss |
| Jn ^o Clarke | Jn ^o Barber |
| Jn ^o Matthew. | |
| Jn ^o Warner | |
| Charles Ferry | |
| Jn ^o Harmon | |
| Nathll Pritchard | |
| Deacon Parsons | |
| Samll Bliss sen ^r | [III—80.] |

[In the handwriting of Elizur Holyoke.]

Att a Meeting of the ffreemen of this Towne of Springfield April 16th 1673 (for giveinge in their votes to be sent to Boston to y^e Co^te of Elections this Spring for the Choyce of the Governor Dep^t Governo^r & Gen^ll Officers of the Colony of Massachusett) it being a full meeting, there being a scruple raysed concerning the validity of many if not all the

grannts of land that have been made wthin this Towneship by reason that many grannts have been made by the Town in gen^{ll} & many by comittees deputed by the Towne, whereas it is accounted by some that y^e ffreemen are to make grannts of lands. Therefore considering y^e p^rmise & what distraction & confusion it would make if Mens grannts of land should be made invalid upon the considerations above expr^sed. The ffreemen Have determined & now Doe determine & hereby Declare that All grannts of land that have been made by this Towne or by such as have been deputed by the Towne at any tyme heretofore, are & shalbe accounted valid & of full force to secure mens proprietyes & possessions: And therefore the ffreemen of this Towne Doe now further declare that they Doe fully confirme & ratify all such grants of land w^{ch} have beene made as aforesaid: Provided & it is the intent of the ffreemen that this declaration & concession is not to confirme any grannt that may be found to interfere wth a former grannt, nor such grants as (by reason of reinoteness, & the bounds of this Towne being not settled) may be taken away by the Gen^{ll} Co^rte:

This act & deed of y^e ffreemen in their confirmation of grannts of land as abovesaid is here Entered by their order & appoyntm^t.

Aprill 24th 1673. Rowland Thomas Rice Bedortha & Thomas Miller beinge appoynted for pambulation of the bounds between Springfeild & Westfeild did wth diverse of Westfeild men perform y^t work:

[III—81.]

Jan: 31 1672. Att a meeting of the Select Men they being all present

There is granted to the Neighbo^rs on the West side of the great River about ffifty acres of land upon the most Southerly branch of the three mile brooke below Leiut Coopers they desiring to sett up a Saw mill there: This grant is on condition that they give up their interest in the former grannt of land at block bridge (w^{ch} was for the like designe) w^{ch} they acknowledged to doe upon this grannt. And provided it be

not p^rjudiciall to the high way nor to any mans p^priety by ponding up of water wthout reasonable satisfaction and provided it fall wthin the bounds of this Towneship when Our bounds are Stated & Settled, & that they pay their reasonable share of the purchase of lands in those quarters: And it is to be understood that this grant is only to such as shall carry on the work to effect that a saw mill there be built & sett on work wthin Two yeere from the date above mentioned:

Att y^e Gen^ll Towne Meeting ffebr 3^d 1073. Elizur Holyoke was chosen Moderato^r for this Town meetinge.

Deacon Chapin & Nathaneell Ely were chosen a Committee to examine the accountes of the Select Men of the yeere now past.

Nathaneel Ely Ens: Cooley Benjamin Parsons John Keepe & Elizur Holyoke are chosen for Select Men for the yeere ensueing to Order the Prudentiall affaires of the Towne

Elizur Holyoke is chosen Recorder for the yeere ensueinge

Samuell Ely was chosen Constable for y^e yeere ensueinge but he pleaded hard for freedom from the Office, William Warrenner the former Constable upon Samll Elyes promise to pay him 20^s was persuaded to serve in his roome, w^{ch} the Towne assented to: & the Oath was administered to him by y^e Worpll Major Pynchon:

Samuell Marshfield & Serj: Stebbin are chosen Measurers of land for the yeere ensueing:

Nathaneel Ely is chosen Sealer for weights & measures.

Nathaneel Pritchard Thomas Day & John Barber Sen^r are chosen Surveyo^rs of y^e high wayes for the yeere ensueinge.

Att this Meeting there were chosen Haywards for the Comon feilds: vizt Jonathan Taylor for y^e feild on the West side of y^e river opposite to y^e Towne.

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And Joseph Bedortha for the feild called Chickuppe on y^e West side of the River.

Samuell Bliss Jun^r for Long Meddow:

And John Clarke for the house lotts:

John Ladd a Tanner desiring to come to dwell in this

Plantation & to sett up his trade is Admitted an Inhabitant if he see cause to come hither: And there was granted him Tenne acres of land on y^e Garden brooke provided he come & Settle & sett up his trade here: This grannt of land is to lye on Garden brook at the mouth of Squaw tree dingle. Also there is granted him the liberty of the Comons for getting bark for his trade excepting wthin two miles from y^e Meeting house, the trees when barked to be free for any other, but for other tymbor or fire wood he is to have the same priviledges as others:

At this Towne Meeting consideration was had concerning the Meeting house specially concerning want of Roome in the house for convenient Seating of People (there beinge through the favor of God Soe great an Increase of Inhabitants in this Plantation) whereupon the Town chose diverse persons to consider of the case w^hat they should judge convenient t^o be done to help y^e busyness & to make report to the Town what they should reckon expedient to be done: The Persons chosen were y^e Worpll Majo^r Pynchon & the five Select Men. Also Leiut Cooper Samll Marshfeild Jn^o Dumbleton Thomas Miller Rowland Thomas and Henry Chapin and Quarterm^r Coulton.

Many persons desiring further accommodations of land a Town meeting is agreed on to y^e 16th instant to consider y^rof: for w^{ch} See page 180.

[11—83.]

Aprill the 15th 1674. There having been Long dissatisfaction for want of roome in the Meeting house for Our Peoples convenient attending on the Publike worship of God there was a Town Meeting called in y^e end of ffebruary last to consider of the matter, the Meeting was to be on the Lecture day after Lecture, And So w^h that Lecture was fynished, the People were warned to attend the Town Meeting wthin one quarter of an hour, & Soe almost all the People left y^e house a little while then some comeing in agayne inconsiderable to the whole Plantation the matter was discussed, whether to sett upon y^e worke to build a Meeting House wholly

new, or only to make Some addition to this old house, & Some votes carryed ag^t building a house wholly new, but to make addition to this house & Soe left it with the Select Men to consider what addition to make: And the Select Men upon this day being a Town Meeting Aprill 15th 1674 did make report to the Town what addition they thought convenient & necessary to be made whose judgm^t being rejected, & the case being discussed, & the apprehension of workmen alleged that we shall worst ourselves in adding to this house: It came into question agayne, whether it were not best for us all things considered pleaded pro & con it was voted generally that wee should & would endeavor to sett up a new Meeting house: And this Meeting being warned a fortnight before & being very full, there were very few but who went wth the affirmative vizt that there shalbe sett up wth y^e helpe of God a new Meeting house at the charge of y^e whole Plantation for the end aforesaid: Nextly it came into question about y^e place where the house shalbe sett; and it was voted that Serjant Stebbing should be treated wth that it might be sett up in his home lott on the hill by his pasture: 3ly it was voted & concluded that the house shalbe fifty foot long, & fourty foote wide, & that it shalbe underpind wth Stone two foote & halfe above ground: 4ly It was voted & concluded that the house shalbe built soe high as that it may be accommodated for galleryes when the Towne shall See need; 5ly, It was further voted & concluded that this work shalbe left to a Comittee of five p'sons who were Nominated chosen & voted for p'ticularly vizt Major Pynchon Elizur Holyoke Nathaneel Ely Anthony Dorchester & Jonathan Burt, w^{ch} five p'sons by the generall vote of the Plantation are to have full power to aggree wth a workman or workmen for the building of such a new house and to act in all things necessary for the work according to their best understanding, till the house be completed & perfected for the Peoples convenient attendding on the worship of God: And Lastly It was voted & concluded that the Select Men from tyme to tyme shall have full power to make & collect, & accordingly shall

make & collect upon the Inhabitants of this Plantation Such rates or assessments as the said Committee shall judge necessary for the Work aforesaid till the whole worke be finished, & that such summes as are to be Soe collected shalbe made distinct from other publike rates & delivered to the said Committee for the end aforesaid: And these things were voted & concluded wth much alacrity wthout contention or opposition. [III—84.]

May 13th 1674. This day being Lecture day, a Towne Meeting being the last Lecture day warned by the Select men to be held this afternoon to consider Something further about the new Meeting house that is to be built accordingly the Towne Meeting was now attended, And the Votes & conclusions that were made at y^e Town meetinge the 15th of Aprill (concerning a new meeting house to be built in this Towne) being reade over, It was now propounded by the Committee chosen to carry on that work that there might be liberty allowed by the Towne that the work might lye till October next in respect of felling tumber for the work: liberty for that was voted and grannted: And at this Meeting Samuell Marshfeild ppounded to y^e Town on the behalfe of the Inhabitants on the West side of the River by reason of their great trouble in getting over the river to come to the Publique worship of God & for other publique Meetings, that a Boate might be made at the charge of y^e whole Town for their accommodation in such respects: And after Some arguing about the matter It was voted that the question shalbe comitted to be decided & determined by three indiffrent men that are not of this Town vizt whether there is or is not good reason that the whole Town should be charged wth making a boate for y^e end & use aforesaid, whose determination is to stand for the Towne to be guided by: And It is further voted that Leuit Cowper shalbe added to the Committee chosen the 15th day of Aprill last who are to order matters for building a new Meeting house in this Town: And that any foure of them shalbe accounted the Committee for ordering any matter concerning the Said building. And it was further voted

upon the desire of the Inhabitants on the West side of the River that what they shall pay towards this new meeting house that is to be built shalbe entered in Some Publike record of this Towne:

At this Towne Meeting these following orders framed by the Select Men and read to the Town were by the Town concluded to stand as Town Orders:

Whereas It is found by experience that the Veivers of the fences of the Comon feilds were often at a loss & goe at great uncertayntyes in their work by the want of Some rule to guide them that they may know who are owners of the Severall pcells of fences in such generall fences:

It is ordered that every Proprietor of land in any of the comon feilds of this Towne shall before the 10th day of June next Sett up a Stake at the Partition of each pcell of his fence or fences that belong to any such feilds, vizt between himselfe & his neighbo^r & that each Proprietor mark such Stake or Stakes wth the first letters of their names: And such Proprietor of any such fences as shall faile of performance of this Order shall pay as a penalty twelve pence p defect for each defect half thereof to the Towne & the other halfe to the veiver of the fences of Such feilds: [III—85.] And for the future It is further ordered that every Proprietor of land in any o^f our comon feilds shall take care & see that such Stakes Soe marked as above said be made or renewed & kept up yearely in the Spring before the first of Aprill: And if any such Proprietor shall faile of pformance hereof he shall incurr the like penalty as abovesaid w^{ch} is also to be paid as abovesaid: And the Townes half of such penaltyes shalbe added to such persons names on some Towne rate to be paid wth the rate:

Whereas there are many granmts of land made in this Towne w^{ch} are not measured & recorded notwthstandinge former orders w^{ch} have been made to compell persons thereunto whereby the Select Men are at some uncertaynty what lands are taken up & Soe know not well how to lay assessm^t upon Such lands & whereby also occasions of contention be-

tweene Grantees are apt to arise It is ordered voted & concluded y^t whosoever shall not wthin Six months from this tyme gett such his grant or grannts of lands measured & recorded he shall pay as a penalty foure pence p acre to the Town to be added to the next Towne rate for soe many acres as are not found to be recorded wthin the tyme above limited in this Order; except the measurer who is requested to measure any such grannt shall not wthin one month after such request is made, attend his worke & performe it w^{ch} month is to expire before the end of the said Six months from the tyme of y^e grannt upon y^e like penalty except the defect lye in the measurer.

[III—86.]

Att the Gen^{ll} Town Meeting ffebr: y^e 2^d 1674. The Worppll Majo^r Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this Meeting & all other Town Meetings this yeere:

Leint Cooper & Samuell Marshfeild are chosen a Comitee to examine the last yeeres Select Mens accounts as are also the accounts of the Selectmen in y^e yeeres 1672 & 1673 & to balance all accounts to this tyme:

Quarterm^r Coulton Samuell Marshfeild John Dumbleton Henry Chapin & Jeremy Horton are chosen Select Men for y^e yeere ensueing to order the Prudentiall affaires of the Town

Elizur Holyoke is chosen Clarke or Recorder for the yeere ensueing:

Thomas Miller is chosen Constable for y^e yeere ensueing, & Sworne:

Samll Marshfeild & Serj: Stebbin are chosen Measurers of land for y^e yeere ensueing:

James Warrener & Rice Bedortha & Obadiah Cooley are chosen Surveyors of the high wayes for the yeere ensueing:

At this Meeting there were Haywards chosen for the Comon feilds: vizt John Barber Sen^r for the feilds on y^e West side y^e river opposite to y^e Towne: And John Dorchester specially for that p^t of y^e feild over Agawam river:

Edmund Prinridas for West Chickuppe feild. Thomas

Mirick for y^e house lotts on this east side of y^e river who is also to drive to y^e pound any cattell y^t he shall fynd in y^e Meddowes by the Street where he has notice thereof: And Isaak Coulton is chosen Hayward for Long Meddow:

Whereas the County Co^rte hath altered the County road, vizt to relinquish the road as it lay by Sconunganuck & now to lye thorow y^e Towne by the upper Causey & Soe up by Henry Chapins & over the Island in Chickuppe River & thorow the great playn w^{ch} is by Connecticut river: This Town by reason of such alteration of the roade for the conveniency of the Townes above specially of Hadley considering that their great use of that Roade (coming down often wth many carts & frequently in wet weather) doth greatly damnify the wayes especially the said Causey (as we find by experience) w^{ch} Causey hath been very chargeable being made & maynteyned by a few persons in Springfield, & for y^t the roade if Soe determined will pass thorow some mens proprietyes &c Have chosen & ordered Qu: m^r Coulton & Samll Marshfeild to make knowne to the Co^rte at Northampton in March next the Townes complaynt that the Co^rte may order us releif in the case:

[III—87.]

The Towne ordereth that the tongue of land w^{ch} lyes between Long meddow brook & the wett meddow behind the long meddow by & below Nath: Burts meddow vizt all that is now free there & undisposed of shall lye comon & free for passage into the woods & for feed forever:

It is Ordered & voted by the Towne by reason that the high way w^{ch} hitherto hath lye by the great riverside on the west side of the River is by floods in the river & by land floods much damnified & spoyled & made unpassable & likely to be worse yeerely, that therefore consideration thereof shalbe had by a speciall Committee of Seaven Men what they shall judge convenient & necessary to be done in the case: The Committee chosen by the Town are Leiut Cooper Qu: M^r Coulton Ens Cooley Rowland Thomas Nathaneell Ely Thomas Miller & Serjant Stebbin who have full power to determine the case & to order where the way shall lye.

In reference to the new meeting house that is to be built in this Town. It is thought more accomodable that the said house Should be Sett on the hill in Serjant Stebbins lott: And he showing his willingness thereto provided he may have that ffoure acres of land of the Townes, meddow & upland w^{ch} lyes on the North side of y^e round hill, the Town hath grannted him that foure acres of land on such tearmes as he & the Committee y^t are chosen to order the affaires of the said house shall aggree for the end aforesaid:

Att this Gen^l Meeting of the Town Severall persons had Grants of land made unto them, for w^{ch} See page 184.

[111—88.]

Att y^e Gen^l Town Meeting ffebr: 1st, 1675: The Worppl Major Pynchon is chosen Moderato^r for this Meeting & for all other Town Meetings in this Towne this yeere:

Jonathan Burt & Serj Bancroft are chosen a Comittee to examine the accounts of the Select Men of the yeere now past:

Ensigne Cooley: Jonathan Burt: * John Keepe John Hitchcock & Capt Elizur Holyoke, are chosen Select men for ordering all y^e Prudentiall affires of y^e Town for y^e yeare ensuing To act according to Instructions & directions for y^e Select men as in pa. 5th of this Booke

[In the handwriting of John Pynchon.]

Samll Marshfield & Serj Stebbings are chosen Measurers for Land: y^t is to be laid out or Measured

Japhet Chapin is chosen Constable of Springfeild for the yeare ensuing:

At A Legall Towne Meeting: Aug: 24th 1676: It is ordered & Agreed by a cleare vote That a House be Built, either for Mr. Glover or y^e Ministry, the House to be 44 foote long, 20 f wide, 14 f Stud, Girt, wth a Porch before it convenient for a Study: The House in all respects to be caryed on,

*The Town Recorder, Elizur Holyoke, died February 6th, before completing the record, his work ending with the name of Jonathan Burt. The remainder of the record of the meeting is in the hand of John Pynchon.

by a Committee, as speedily as may: At y^e Towne charge: The Committee to be George Colton, Rowland Thomas Henry Chapin & J^o Dorchester:

Ordered That Ensigne Cooly & Saml Marshfeild be added to y^e Committee for y^e meeting house affaires some of y^m being Dead: These are a Supply & wth y^e rest remaining, to treat wth John Allys, And (in regard of y^e Townes Poverty by reason of y^e warr) If he will Stay for his pay Then to get him to Raise y^e Meeting house as soone as may be:

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Janu 3^d 1676. At A Towne Meeting called by y^e Select men, among other things to Consider further about Building y^e House for y^e ministry &c: It being a Legall & full Meeting

Whereas at y^e Towne Meeting Aug: 24th 1676 The Towne then Passed a vote, for Building of a House for M^r Glover, or for y^e Ministry, w^{ch} having bin neglected hitherto, The Towne now taking y^e same into further Consideration, Doe by a unanimous vote Declare their minds to be, That y^e Howse to be Built, it Shall be for y^e Ministry, & shall from time to time, be continued for y^e use of y^e Ministry, & not Stated upon any p'ticular p'son, otherwise then as He shall Continue Minister & Preacher of y^e word of God & dispenser of y^e holy things thereof, to y^e People of this Church & Towne of Springfeild:

It is further unanimously agreed & voted, That y^e Howse aforementioned to be Built for y^e Ministry, shall be forth wth Gon in hand wth, & Built & fynished as soone as may be, according to y^e Dimensions concluded on, at y^e Last Towne Meeting in August, And by that Committee then appointed: (except y^t Rowland Thomas upon his earnest desire is hereby discharged & Ensigne Benja Cooly is chosen in his Roome; & y^e Towne doe now add one more to be of y^e s^d Committee viz Joseph Leanord to make them five in all, any Three of y^e s^d Committee having Power hereby Granted y^m; to act in all respects for Completing of y^e afores^d Howse, & y^e Select men are to take care from time to time for y^e making & Collecting of Such Rates on y^e Inhabitants as y^e above men-

tioned Committee shall need for y^e Caring on of the worke & Building afores^d to effect:

At y^e same Meeting: It is declared by vote, That y^e Committee for y^e Meeting Howse are to take care off, & carry on y^e whole worke, even y^e Inside worke, & making of y^e Seates, untill all be fynished, y^e s^d Committee now in being or any Three of y^m being to order & Manage y^e whole Compleating of the Meeting House, wthin as well as wthout: according to their best discretion, for y^e advantage & good of y^e Towne:

Mr. John Holyoke is Nominated for Clerke of y^e Writts To be ppounded to y^e County Court for allowance to y^t Office.

Voted That y^e Committee of Militia of This Towne, Doe Joine wth y^e Select men, in pfecting & setling y^e acco^{ts} about Disburnm^s for y^e Garrison soldiers dyet &c & Regulating those paym^s & all matters in disposing of y^e Country Rates allowed to paym^s of or charge & They are also wth y^e Select men to Regulate y^e charge about Garrisoning of y^e Mill last Summer, the best they can according as it was then voted:

Granted to James Steevenson Thirty acres of upland & swamp over y^e great River about y^e Reere of Eliakim Coolys Land Sowwest from it, Provided he settle & Continue in this Towne at least full five yeares & make Impvement of y^e land: [11!—90.]

[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

At the Genll Town Meeting, febr: 6th 1676. The Worshipful majo^r Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this Meeting & al other Town meetings the yeer ensuing.

Quarter Mast^r Colton Jn^r Dumbleton Benjamin Parsons Henry Chapin, Jn^r Dorchester are chosen Select men for ordering of all y^e prudential affaires of the Town for y^e yeer ensuing, to act according to Instructions & directions for y^e Select men as in page 5th of this Booke.

John Holyoke is chosen Clark or Recorder for y^e Town for y^e yeer ensuing.

Sammel Marshfeild is Chosen Measurer for Land y^t is to be laid out or measured.

Reice Bedortha is chosen Constable for y^e yeer ensuing & sworn.

Nathaneel Pritchard & Joseph Ashley are Chosen Surveours of y^e high wayes, for y^e yeer Ensuing, & Jn^o Petty for y^e high wayes on y^e West side of y^e River.

At this meeting y^r were Haywards Chosen for y^e Comon feilds: viz: Goodman Clark for y^e Homlots on y^e East side y^e River, & for y^e Long Medlow Ephraim Colton, & for y^e West side of y^e River, Henry Rogers, & James Stevenson especially for Agawam & for Chickuppe Piaine Samuel Bedortha:

It is ordered that Ephraim Coltons yard or any other sufficient yard be pound for Long meddowe & over y^e River, in defects of a pound, any sufficient yard is to serve for a pound.

It is ordered y^t y^e Select men shal rectify y^e street fence by taking care for y^e preventing of encroachments, & for y^e making it straight, as y^t it may be most accomodable for y^e defence of The Towne.

Vpon serious Considerations for y^e Inhabitants Living more Compact, Major Pynchon and Quart^r Mast^r Colton Serjt Morgan, & Jn^o Hitchcock are appointed a Comittee to treat about contrive & order y^e laying out an highway throw y^e Homlots for y^e more convenient Buildings & safe dwellings, provided they gain y^e Consent of y^e Proprietors of y^e same Lots.

Whereas y^e Comittee of y^e New meeting house impowered by y^e Town for y^e disposing four Acres of land on y^e North side of y^e round hil, to Tho: Stebbin Senio^r & to Tho: Stebbin Junio^r for Land to set y^e New meeting house on, they do now report to y^e town, that the said Stebbin Senior & Stebbin Junior having clearly and absolutely granted five rods Square to set y^e New meeting house on, & having added a rod more in breadth to the way that Leads up to y^e New house now y^e s^d Comittee do report, that they have granted y^e s^d four Acres to y^e s^d Stebbin Senio^r & Stebbin Junio^r, & by the town to them, and it is provided that in fencing this ground that Thomas Stebbin is to fence no more fence then

he fenced formerly, the town being to do y^e rest of y^e fence about y^e New Meeting house. And it being further considered about y^e townes Land where y^e old meeting house yet stands, How Easily by exchange with Thomas Stebbin, it may ly altogether up to y^e New meeting house Land aforesaid, to y^e accomodating & conveniency of y^e Town & Thomas Stebbin also; which being propounded to y^e said Stebbin, He y^e said Stebbin agreed to grant & give up his land between y^e old meeting house & y^e New meeting House unto y^e town; The Town also agreed to give up to Thomas Stebbin y^e land, which lies next Him, Two Rod in breadth where it fronts on y^e street Easterly; The Town reserving to themselves four [III—91.] Rod broad, at y^e Front or high way or street, Eastward, & from thence to run back westward thorow y^e said Stebbin his Land up to y^e New meeting house land aforesaid a little aslant northward into the s^d Stebbin his land, so as to range strait with y^e out side or north side of y^e second stud beyond or to y^e northward of ye East door of y^e New meeting house, where by this four rod broad of y^e townes land, where it fronts on y^e street Eastward wil & is to gain a little more in breadth, by its running up to y^e New meeting house a little aslant into Tho: Stebbin his land as aforesaid, so y^t the breadth of it toward y^e westward end next y^e new meeting house wil be ful four rod & an half there, & something better. This afores^d, that is to say, that part of the land afore mentioned and which was Thomas Stebbin his land he doth now give up & grant & confirm it to y^e Town; And y^t part of it y^e land aforesaid viz: two Rods broad at y^e Easterly end onely as aforesaid, which was the Townes land, they doe grant & Confirme to y^e said Tho: Stebbin, & moreover in ful satisfaction to y^e s^d Stebbin they do give & grant to Him out of y^e Town land in y^e training feild one rod & half of ground next to y^e said Stebbin his lot in y^e reer of it, al y^t breadth of his lot, at y^e westerly end, which wth allowance aforesaid next y^e street is accepted by y^e said Stebbin as satisfaction for y^e said land which he hath hereby given up to y^e town.

At this general meeting of y^e Town several persons had grants of land made to them, for which se page 185.

May y^e 2^d: 1677: At a Town Meeting. It was at this meeting determined by a Clear & ful vote to send a man from among o^r selves to Boston to y^e General Co^rte to move in to get a settlement of o^r accounts. It was likewise voted that y^e Man should be our Deputy for the general Court, as also that the account with reference to our expences at y^e fals fight be brought in to & taken Care of by Japhet Chapin and John Hitchcock who are to take Care so to get it in, soe as that the Deputy may carry it with Him to y^e Genll Court.

Further y^e admittance & entertainment of W^m Maddison as a Schoolmaster was voted, he being to take three pence for those he teaches onely to read English, & four pence P week for those he teaches both to read & write, as also four pence P weeke for those he teaches only to write, & the Parents or persons are to allow [111—92.] noe more; But the Town for this yeer as an Encouragment to him in this worke do agree & promise to allow him y^e Rent of the Towne land in Chickuppi

It is also granted to m^r Daniel Denton to have 40 Acres of land over Agawam River, below Leiut Cooper his Meddow near Southfeild bounds, provided he continue five yeers in the Town.

Further also Goodm: Lamb, Serjeant Morgan Joseph Crowfoot John Clarke Senio^r, Charles Ferry with such others as they shal take in with them have y^e liberty of fishing for this yeere from y^e falls in Chickuppi River where the wading place is, down to y^e mouth of that River, provided they enter not upon any mans Lands or proprieties there, provided also they supply Such Neighbors as shal desire to have fish of them: & their Salmon they may not sel for more then sixpence apeice there, or at y^e town More then eight pence, and shad fish they may not sel for more then halfe pence apeice there, or more then a penny at the Town; & in Case they barrel up for market, they are to allow to the Town twelve pence P Barrel for al that shal be transported:

At a legal Town meeting: June 18th 1677.

Whereas y^r hath been serious Considerations & Essays of accomodating o^r Reverend Teacher m^r Glover, in Reference to his Contentful abiding & ministry amongst us, & accordingly y^r hath been Care taken to build an house for y^e ministry, but in as much as y^r hath been some dissatisfactions with respect to y^e place w^r y^e House should be set: The Town, desiring y^e worke may be speedily carryed on to effect, do y^rfore now Conclude & vote, y^t y^e Select men & y^e Committee for y^e House shal have ful power to order y^e whole affaire of setting up y^e House, & shal rest satisfied wth y^r Conclusion of y^e premises, provided they doe not set up y^e House any where but on Land or Homlot that m^r Glover possesses, wthout y^r new application to y^e Town:

July 13th: 1677: At a Legal Town meeting:

For as much as our Reverend Teacher m^r Glover hath manifested himself dissatisfied wth y^e form^r vote of y^e Town settling y^r house they are about, for y^e ministry, & not providing an house & for himself; We therefore out of o^r Special Respect to y^e ordinances of o^r Lord Jesus, greatly desiring that the same may be Carried on amongst us according to Gospel order, haveing also a special care for y^e accomodating of m^r Glover, for his contentful continuing wth us in this great worke, (we aiming at a final contentment) we do therefore vote & Conclude to Give o^r Reverend Teacher m^r Glover this house, that y^e whole Carpenters worke, according as it is indented with them to finish it, we say for o^r parts we give this house upon the like termes as y^e former house & lands were given. (Se p. 45.) This thus concluded & voted; onely such & such dissenting do declare for y^e former vote, y^t y^e house be for y^e ministry, disallowing of any alteration of y^e former vote. These Names are [III—93.] as followes: George Colton, Benjamin Cooley, Samll Marshfeild, Thomas Stebbin Senior, Henry Chapin, Rolland Thomas, Nathaneel Pritchard, John Clarke, Samuel Terry, Victory Sikes, John Dorchester, James Dorchester, Isaac Colton, Ephraim Colton, Obadiah Cooley Samuel Blisse Senior, Joseph Stebbin,

Luke Hitchcock, John Bag, Samuel Bal, Samuel Blisse Junior, Nathaneel Blisse.

It is further voted that y^e formentioned house be set on m^r Glovers Lot. It is further voted that the Select men for y^e last yeer shal take care for getting in what is yet behind of m^r Glovers Rates.

August 21th: 1677. At a Town meeting warned by y^e Constable: Goodman Marshfield is Chosen Comission^r to joyn wth y^e Select men in making y^e Country Rate:

John Harmon is Chosen Constable: And tooke his oath accordingly.

At a Town meeting, Aug: 27, 1677, called to consider & conclude something about y^e House for y^e ministry, & concerning m^r Glover o^r Reverend Teacher his Accomodation: warning for this Town meeting, haveing been given at former Town meeting Last week; & this being a General & full Town meeting, It was concluded & fully agreed as followeth:

Whereas this Town had bought Land & a house of m^r George Moxon for y^e ministry, & so stated & settled it then; which yet out of y^r good affection to m^r Glover our present Teacher, & for his contentful abode with us in dispensing y^e word of God to us, they have since given to Him y^e said m^r Glover, he continuing in this Town Preaching the word of God to us as long as he lives:

Now forasmuch as it appears, That y^e Town could not give away that said Houseing & land fro y^e ministry, Al of it being stated & settled to y^t use & appropriated to y^e Church for ever, that is to say to y^e Maintainance of such as should preach & teach y^e word of God to this Town & Church of Springfield from tyme to tyme for ever, & so not capable of being any particular persons propriety, Longer then he should be a Preacher of the word of God here:

This Town Now taking notice thereof, & being desirous yet not wthstanding That o^r Reverend Teacher m^r Glover be not provided for, Doe for his better accomodation & Encouragment (Although the Houseing be al burnt down & wholly Consumed) vote & Conclude, (as y^e building on the [III—

94.] land, Soe That m^r Glover shal have & enjoy y^e said house now built & building wth al the land belonging to it, as long as he shal continue in Springfield Preaching y^e word of God to Vs: It being after his decease or discontinuance to Preach the word of God to us in this place then to go to or to be improved for such as shal succeed in the ministry: And Moreover (the land being now reassumed to its first & primitive use, & not accounted or Reckoned m^r Glovers propriety otherwise then for use while he Continues o^r Minister) in way of Satisfaction, & ful compensation to m^r Glover o^r Teacher was agreed & concluded to give M^r Glover o^r Teacher one hundred pounds, In Case he do spend his dayes in the ministry of y^e word of God to us in Springfield, & not remove away from this place; This one hundred pounds being over & above his yeerly stipend, which stipend, as it was at first stated eighty pounds p Annum, so we shal allow it him stil, notwithstanding o^r great Ruines & low estate, & charges in buildings, and hereafter, as God shal blesse us, we shal endeavor to increase it to Mr Glover o^r Teacher. The one hundred pounds which we have now voted to give m^r Glover, seing y^e land goes from Him, we are ready to give security to Him for y^e paying it to his Posterity, in Case he shal fulfil his Ministry in this place.

It is voted & agreed upon by y^e Inhabitants of this Town, for y^e prevention of al trouble to y^e Minister of the Town & al Complaints from Him in getting in his Rates, that the Deacon or Deacons shal cal for & requisite y^e paying of y^e Ministers Rates, & in Case of Mens Neglect, & his or their Complaintes to y^e select men, It is ordered that the Select men themselves shal take care that y^e Ministers whole stipend be brought in unto him, according to Each mans Proportion, & In Case of y^e neglects to require & recover it of y^e particular Delinquents herein, that they shal pay it to the Minister themselves.

Also it is voted & agreed that the present Select men shal se to y^e paying in of this last yeeres rates, & so that the Select men of y^e next yeer shal se to y^e paying in of y^e Next

rates, which wil be made by v^e present Select Men, & so in a Constant Course from yeer to yeer.

It is further voted, y^t y^e present select men, do take Care to get in al the Arreares of al m^r Glovers Rates.

Jonathan Ashley haveing moved to y^e Town to Change his part of boggy meddow for y^e boggy meddow of y^e Towns w^{ch} is six acres) y^e Inhabitants comit this affair to y^e discretion of y^e Select Men:

April 1678. Rolland Thomas Joseph Bedurtha & Jn^o Dorchester being appointed for Perambulation of the bounds between Springfield & Southfeild & between Springfield & Westfeild did wth divers men of both these Townes go out for the Attendance of that worke.

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At the General Town Meeting, february 5th 1677. The Worshipful Major Pynchon was chosen Moderator for this Meeting & for al other the Town meetings of this yeer in this Town.

Samuel Marshfeild & Jn^o Holyoke are chosen Committee to examine the accounts of the precedent Select men & to balance al Accounts.

Samuel Marshfeild & Japhet Chapin John Hitchcocke Nathaneel Burt, & John Holyoke are chosen Select men in y^e 5th pa. of this booke.

John Holyoke is chosen Recorder for the Town for the yeer ensuing:

Joseph Leonard is chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing & Sworn:

Samuel Marshfeild is Chosen measurer for y^e Town, for y^e following yeer.

James Warrener and Luke Hitchcocke are chosen surveiors of the high ways for the East side of the River for this yeer.

Haywards for the Comon feilds at this meeting chosen were, viz: Jn^o Barber Junio^r for the feilds on the West side of the River opposite to the Town, as also for Agawam & Samuel Bal & Jn^o Clarke Senio^r for the homelots on the Townside,

& Ephraim Colton is chosen by the Select men Hayward for Longmedow.

Voted & concluded at this meeting that something should be done for the fortification of the new meeting house: voted also concluded that there should be a Committee chosen to proportion out mens parts.

Here follows the Names of such as do promise worke or pay for y^e fortifying the new meeting house. The Wppful Majo^r Pynchon 5 rod of Stuff to place Japhet Chapin 1 rodd of stuffe to place, Jn^o Hitchcock one rod of stuffe to place: Jn^o Holyoke 1 rod

Jn^o Dorchester 1 rod stuff

James Dorchester 1 rod stuff

James Warrener and David Lumbard 1 rod compleat

Jonath Burt 1 rod stuff

Benj. Parsons 1 rod stuffe

Tho: Mirick 1 rod stuffe

Increase Sikes and Victory Sikes 1 rod stuffe to place

Nath Pritchard and Jn^o Harmon 1 rod stuffe to pl.

Tho: Day and Tho: Cooper 1 rod stuffe

Jn^o Lamb and David Morgan 1 rod stuffe

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Joseph Steblein and Samll Ball 1 rod stuffe to place
al w^{ch} stuffe is to be logs: ten foot & 1-2 in length: & between 10 & 12 inches in breadth.

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| Quart ^r m ^r Colton | 10 | 00 |
| Jn ^o Dumbleton | 04 | 00 |
| Reice Bodurtha | 04 | 00 |
| Jn ^o Barber Sen ^r | 02 | 06 |
| Jn ^o Petty 04 ^s in Indian C. | | |
| Joseph Leonard | 02 ^s | 6 ^d : |
| Jn ^o Riley: 1-2 bu: of Indian C. | | |
| Henry Chapin: 1 day Carting | | |
| Luke Hitchcocke: 1 day Carting | | |
| Samll Marshfield 4 dayes workes | | |
| Philip Mattoon: 1 day worke | | |

Serjt Morgan 2 dayes workes

Ben: Knowlton 1 day worke

Richd Waite 1 day worke

Aprill 10th 1678: At a meeting of the Inhabitants, where in they were desired to stay after Lecture.

It was voted & Concluded to give m^r Daniel Denton twenty pounds salary for his encouragment in the worke of a Schoolmaster for the present yeer he continuing in that worke y^e terme of an whole yeer or in case It should so fall out y^t m^r Denton attend not that worke the winter season, then the vote of the Inhabitants was to give him twelve poundes, & to allow him time to plant & dress two Acres of Indian Corn, in case he cannot provide it to be done for him for his money. In this worke y^e Parents & masters of such as send y^r children or servants, being to allow to y^e Towne according to y^s manner of their allowance to the Schoolmaster the yeer past.

July 17: 1678. At a Town meeting, it being a ful meeting.

It was ppounded, y^r being some scruple made concerning the Select mens Acts, because the Major part of y^m are not freemen according to order, whether the Town would not rectify y^e same: And while it was under Consideration Nathaneel Burt did desire a discharge or releasmt^r from being accounted as a Select man: It being then also declared that his Brother Jonathan Burt (a Freeman) In the first voting, when the votes were told had the same Number of votes that Nathll Burt had, though after at a 2^d vote Nath: Burt had a casting vote, yet now considering he is willing & desirous to be released the Town do Grant it him & by a Clear & ful vote do make choice of & appoint Jonathan Burt to be the Select man in his Room, who was formerly voted for as is afore expressed, That so the acts of the Select men, the Major part of y^m being freemen according to o^r Law, may wthout any Scruple be accounted valid: Hereby also the Town doth allow of & Confirme the past acts of those Select men, which they acted for the Town

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August 14th, 1678. At a Town meeting, wherein the Inhabitants were desired to stay after Lecture.

At this meeting Benj: Parsons was Chosen a Comission^r to joyne wth y^e Select men in taking a List of al male persons Ratable wth y^e estimation of al Estates, & to make a returne hereof to other Comissioners of other Towns chosen for y^e like worke.

October 9th 1678. At a Town meeting being warned by the Select Men.

At this Meeting It was voted & agreed that the watch house to y^e New meeting house should be, or serve instead of a schoole house, until such time as the Town shal see Cause to order otherwise.

It was further voted & concluded that Japhet Chapin Jn^o Hitchcocke & Nathill Foot, wth other of y^e Inhabitants of this Town, as they shal se Cause to asociate wth y^m shal have liberty granted them to make use of y^e Towns Timber for y^e building of a Saw mil at Schonungonuck Fals, as also to Improve y^e Saw mil when builded, provided, they come not on y^e Town side of a straight Line drawn from the Head of Hog pen dingle to dirty Gutter, & that they transport not y^t worke wthout the Towns Licence, & y^t they sel not their boards above 4^s p Cewt & y^t Slit worke not above a price answerable to boards 4^s p Cwt:

January 6th: 1678. At a Town meeting Being a Legal Town meeting:

It was voted & Concluded, at this meeting, that the former ord^r (in page 78) for the raying a Leavie or rate for the collecting of the purchase-moneys expended for the purchased Lands of this Town shal be truly & fully attended.

It was further voted & agreed that al proprietyes that have not payed purchase moneys shal now in their respective Tracts, or for the respective grants be accounted as ratable proprietyes or Proprieto^s for the payments of these purchase moneys, As also that Quart^rm^r Colton & Rolland shal be added as a Committee to join wth the selectmen to act according to the precedent order, viz: to determine & make a rate for the s^d purchase moneys:

It was further voted & Concluded that al Grants or proprietyes, that shal hereafter be granted to any persons wth in any of these Tracts, shalbe lyable to pay moneys as purchase moneys for their grants, according as the prsent proprietors pay for theirs proprietyes, which moneys shalbe for the Townes use in defraying Towne charges.

It was again voted & concluded that al such persons as have any proprietyes wth in any of these Tracts purchased, shal bring in an account thereof to Such persons as the Town have deputed to determine & make a rate on these purchased lands to get in the purchase moneys, by the 15th of this Instant, or shal pay 4^d p acre for such next neglects or loose these Lands.

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It was further voted & consented to that y^e Lands on the East side of the great River upon which part of these purchase money is to be raised, shal run from the reer of the Wood Lots six miles Square. As also that y^e Lands on the west side of y^e great River, below Agawam on w^{ch} other part of the purchase moneys is to be raised, shal run westward or into y^e woods four miles, & Southward or downward two miles.

At the General Town Meeting: Febr: 4th: 1678. The Worshipful Major John Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this Meeting & for al other the Town meetings following:

Quart^rm^r Colton & Henry Chapin are Chosen a Comittee to examine the Accounts of y^e Select men of the yeer past, & to bring to ballance al accounts.

John Holyoke Quart^rm^r Colton Benjamin Parson Jn^o Dumbleton Henry Chapin are chosen Select men for the yeer ensuing to order the prudential affaires of this Town, and to act according to Instructions given pa. 5th of this booke.

John Holyoke is Chosen Recorder for the Town for y^e following yeer.

Samll Marshfeild is chosen measurer for Lands that are to be measured.

Joseph Bodurtha is Chosen Constable for the Town for this yeer, & took the oath for the faithful performance of his office.

Samuel Terry Edward Foster & James Dorchester are chosen surveio^rs of the high ways of this Town on their respective sides for this year.

Also Haywards for the comon feilds were chosen: viz: John Clark for the Town plat: for al the feilds over the River James Taylor & Samll Jones, & for Long Medow Samll Stebbin.

At this meeting It was voted to make some addition to o^r Reverend Teacher Mr Glover his stipend of eighty pounds for the yeere following, unles some extraordinary providence do make us uncapable or unable so to doe. And it was voted and agreed that this addition should be twenty pounds. It was also voted & agreed that m^r Glovers house, or the house that m^r Glover o^r Reverend Teacher is in, should be fortified, as the [III—99.] New meeting house is fortified, & that the worke should be paid for by a rate, & that Jonathan Burt Sen^r, Miles Morgan & Tho: Stebbin Jun^r should be overseers for this worke.

It was also voted & agreed to allow Leint Stebbin 20 shillings for his giving entertainment to m^r Glover for that tyme w^hin he so entertained him:

It was further voted & Concluded that m^r Dan^l Denton shal have the profits of the Towns Lands at Chickuppi & ten pound p annum, besides the allowance that the schoolmaster according to Town order or agreement is to have of al Such as Send their children or Servants. It was further voted & Concluded that there should be two meet persons appointed to oversee that such persons as burn for Tar, or buy any Tar, Transport no Tar that is not marchantable: & if they shall at any tyme find that any Tar that is for Transportation to be not marchantable by reason of filth durt water or any other wayes, The owners of al such Tar shal forfeit five shillings p barrel, whereof halfe shalbe to y^e Informer & halfe to y^e Town: And Henry Chapin & Luke Hitchcocke are appointed to se to the performance of this order.

It is henceforth ordered that no persons shal have any grants of Lands given to them on the Same day they first move for the same; but that as they would have their grants

valid, they shal at one Town meeting propound their desires for such Lands as the Town hath to give, that the Town may consider thereof, & at any after Town meeting such grants as they shal have made y^m shalbe accounted regular & valid:

At this Town meeting sev^ral p'sons had grants of lands given to them; for w^{ch} se p. 186.

At a Town Meeting, being a legal meeting: May 7th 1679: It was voted & concluded 1st: that there should be an house erected for that noble designe & use of Learning the youth in those so necessary peices or parts of Learning Videl: reading & writing. & 2ly. That this house should be twenty & two foot in Length & eighteen foot in breadth. & 3ly. That the Select men should be appointed or be trusted to agree wth any meet Person or persons to frame this said building, & when y^e Town shal have deliberated & determined where to sit it viz: y^e School house y^e same appointed persons are likewise to finish it or fit it for school use:

It was further voted, that an old Question, viz: whether or no the making a boat for the conveighance of the Inhabitants on the West side of the River over to the publike worship of God, & to other publike meetings is not rationally Chargable to the whole Town, should be referred To Leiut: W^m Clarke of N:Hampton, & m^r Peter Tilton & Philip Smith of Hadley to be decided by them: & That Quart^rm^r Geo. Colton & Samll Marshfeild should propound this Question to them.

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At a Town meeting Aug: 4th: 1679:

At this meeting It was voted & concluded that the school house shal be set somewhere in the lane going to the upper wharfe, the select men to agree about & determine the particular place.

Samuel Marshfeild is chosen a Comissioner to Joyne wth the Selectmen for the taking a list of al male persons ratable, wth an Estimation of al Estates, & to convey the same to the shire meeting, to communicate there wth, wth the other Comissioners of other Towne appointed to the like worke.

Samuel Terry is Chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing. & jurat:

Whereas the Towne did formerly in their troublesome times breake their Towne Stock of powder, & part there with to various persons, as by account fro the Select men & officers appointed for that worke appears It is therefore now voted & Concluded that Leiut. Stebbin shal have ful power to cal for this powder of the several particular persons, who had of the Townes stocke, who according to this vote are to pay either the same Quantities back againe to the Towne or else half a Crowne for each pound of powder, And it is likewise voted that they shal pay this money or pay in either in wheat, or Else in Indian Corne at two shilling p bushel; And in case any person refuse or neglect to pay their dues as to the promises to the Towne, Then the said Leiut Stebbin shal have ful power to distreine for y^e same.

Whereas there are divers persons of this Township, that have already Land granted them at or about Freshwater Brooke, who hold their grants, & have payed Rates for the same, tho some have deserted & Relinquished their grants, yet for as much as many others have not given up, but hold their Rights there in Continuing to defray al Charges, to this Town, that hath a Right to that Land: And many others also are desirous of & moveing for grants of land there; This Towne being willing to accomodate them in Such a way as that the place may become a Township of it selfe in Time, Do in order thereunto order & Appoint the Worshipful Major Pynchon Samuel Marshfield Leiut. Stebbin, Benjamin Parsons Jonath. Birt, or any Three of them, a Committee, wth ful power to admit inhabitants, to Grant free & undisposed Lands there, to such as are capacitated to go thither & dwel & improve the same, & this said Committee are fully impowered to order and act al matters to al Intents & purposes for the settling it a Towne of it selfe, w^{ch} This Town doth hereby intend, And wil release it fro paying Rates here, when they shal become sixteen Families there settled in an orderly way, & taking care for the getting & maintaining of an able & orthodox minister among y^m, & until they are to pay rates for the Land onely as it is now wthout Consideration of Improvem^t of it: &

al along in this whole act It is intended that this [III—101.] Committee doe cheifely principally firstly suite or accomodate the Inhabitants of this Town, before any such as shal come from any other Townes.

At a Gen^l Town Meeting: Febr: 3^d 1679:

The Worshipful Majo^r Pynchon is chosen Moderator for this meeting, & al the meetings of the p^rsent yeer.

Samuel Marshfeild & Saml Ely are chosen Committee to Examine the Debts & credites of the Town p^resented by the Select men for the yeer past.

Ensigne Benjamin Cooley Samuel Marshfeild Deacon Jonathan Burt Japhet Chapin & Jn^o Hitchcocke are chosen Select men for the following yeer, to order the prudential affaires of this Towne &c:

Samll Marshfeild is chosen measurer for the Lands that are to be measured.

Isaac Coulton is chosen constable for the ensuing year & sworne.

Obadiah Cooley, & Joseph Stebbin are chosen surveio^h for the Country high way of this Town for the year ensuing.

Haywards also were chosen: for the Homelots Thomas Mirricke, & his yard is allowed to be a pound for the Lower end of the Towne; for the feild over the River James Warrener, & Samuel Tailor: & for the Long medow, Eliakim Cooley:

Further, It was voted & concluded, That the Company that is set out, for the ordering of the high wayes, up the great Hil over the mil River, to wit, those from Jn^o Nortons downward shal have Liberty to meet together to chuse a Surveio^r for the ordering of the high wayes toward the New bridge over the Mil River, & about the Saw mil:

Thomas Mirricke Saml Bal, Tho: Stebbin, Jun^r, Victory Sikes, Jose: Stebbin have made a motion at this Meeting, That the Town would give y^m Liberty to set up a Saw mil. See forward page 187.

At this meeting It was earnestly Comended, & given In careful charge to the Select men that they take an effectual

Course that the high wayes Comons (& other places as may be judged meet) be cleared of al manner of Rubbish Brush under woods, according as the Law directs to fit for & encourage in that good designe of keeping of sheep:

Further for the advancing of the comon good of the Town It is ordered that each householder shal himselfe keep Three sheep, or else [III—102.] procure y^m to the Towne, by y^e end of the next May, & in case of neglect herein, that each such housmeholder shalbe liable to pay towards y^e maintainance of a shepherd, as if he had Three sheep.

Whereas the New high way on the West side of the great River is laid out Two Rods Broader then the high way the Town have by an ancient order Reserved for themselves there; And o^r Neighbors there desire satisfaction for the said Two Rods thus improved into an high way there; It was voted and agreed to give them satisfaction for two Rods thus by order of Court laid out to the first highway; If so be that the next County Court wil not yeild that they fling up that two Rods added to their own reserved high way. And that Deacon Jonathan Burt Rep^rsent this case or their desires herein to the said Court.: Se page 193.

May 21st: 1680: At a Town meeting called to order or conclude something wth reference to making a bridge over Long medow Brooke:

At this meeting It was voted & Concluded, that w^ras the bridge over long medow Brooke was carried away or spoiled by the late flood, that a new bridge should be built in the old Place:

August 11th: 1680. At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfld:

John Holyoke was chosen Comissioner to Joine wth the Select men for the taking a List of the Ratable Estate of this Towne both personal & real, & to convey the same to the shire meeting, to Communicate therewith, wth other Comission^rs Appointed to the like worke:

Samuel Ely was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing. [III—103.]

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At A General Towne Meeting Febr^r 1st 1680

Major Pynchon is chosen Moderator:

Mr Daniel Denton & Samll Ely are chosen y^e Committee to examine y^e Select mens acco^ts of the year Past. p

Mr Dan Denton: Mr John Holyoke: Geo: Colton Deacon Benja Parsons & John Dumbleton are chosen select men for y^e yeare ensueing to order y^e Prudentiall affaires of y^e Towne, & act in what ever they Judge conducing to y^e welfare of y^e Towne, according to their Instructions & Power as in pa. 5th of this Booke.

Mr Daniel Denton is chosen clarke or recorder for y^e yeare ensueing.

Luke Hitchcock is chosen Constable ffor y^e year ensueing & Sworne:

Rowland Thomas & Samll Bliss Sen: Are chosen Surveiors for the Country high way ffor the ensueing year Also Edward ffoster is chosen Surveior ffor the Country high way ffor y^e other side the River ffor this ensueing year:

Samuel Marshfield is Chosen Mesurer for the lands that are to bee measured:

It is ordered ffor y^e prevention of damage y^t may Come by Catles going into y^e field & poching y^e Corn that no Cattle or Swine shall bee allowed in any Corn fields after y^e 10th of march next ensueing Vnder y^e penalty off Such owners off Cattle or Swine paying 12^d per head for every time any Cattle or Swine shall bee found there And Such owners of y^e Cattle shall recover y^e sayd penalty of such fences as shall appear defective & y^e Select men are to hear & determin all Cases of this nature.

It is further ordered y^t iff any persons appear y^t will Remove y^e Schoole house without any charge to y^e Town & bring it into y^e Middle off y^e town & set it in such place as y^e Select men appoint Without damnifying y^e house by y^e 1st of March next ensueing they shall have liberty to doe it. But if no such persons appear the house shall bee finished & Continue where it is now by y^e Select men:

Haywards chosen: for y^e homelots John Clark for [III—

104.] y^e other side of y^e River Joseph Stebbins & Henry Rogers; for long Meadow Nath: Burt: & Joseph Derby ffor y^e West Chickabee.

Voted & Aggreed upon by y^e Town that four men (viz) Deacon Burt Quarter master Coulton Samll Marshfeild & John Dumbleton shall at y^e next Court held at Northampton manage plead & defend y^e Cause depending about y^e County High way on y^e other side y^e River:

May y^e 6th 1681

At a Legall town Meeting of the inhabitants of this Towne of Springfeild.

Voted and agreed upon by y^e Town that these three men (viz) Deacon Burt Samll Marshfeild & Cornet Parsons shall wth any three of w^e townsmen make inquisition and search After y^e overplus off all y^e severall Country rates in y^e severall yeares past since y^e vnhappy Indean war & to endeavour y^e recovery of it out of y^e hands of y^e severall Constables or any other person or persons in whose hands they shall find y^e sayd Monies: And the aforesayd Select men together wth y^e Committee as aforesayd shall have power to take any legall Course by Sute of law or otherwise for y^e recovery of the sayd overplus for y^e vse of y^e Town or to Compound with any such persons or Constables where y^e Money is found as they shall see Cause:

At a meeting off y^e inhabitants of y^e town of Springfield legally Called, August y^e 12th 1681.

Samll Marshfeild chosen Comissioner to ioyn w^t y^e Select men ffor y^e taking a list off y^e Ratable estate of this town both personal & reall & to Convey y^e same to y^e Shire meeting to Communicate therewith w^t y^e other Comissioners appointed y^e like work.

Joseph Stebbins Chosen Constable ffor y^e year ensuing: & tooke y^e oath belonging to y^e sayd office August y^e 24th 1681 [III—105.]

At a Legall town Meeting of y^e inhabitants off this town of Springfield: August y^e 24th 1681

At y^e Meeting M^r Pelatiah Glover did present to y^e town in

writing his desires Relating to y^e house & land purchased by y^e town ffor y^e Ministry as ffolloweth (vizt) that y^e town would Conioynt w^t him in an adress to y^e next Generall Court for y^e ffull & ffinall determination of this point whether y^e donation of y^e house & land (purchased for y^e Ministry) to him & his heirs ffor ever bee legall & Consistant w^t right. 2ly That it may bee Aughtoritatively settled to him & his if ffound Consistant with Right. 3ly That two meet persons may bee Chosen to Conioyn with him in formalizing & ordering this address:

The town seriously Considering y^e premises propounded by M^r Glover did Assent to y^e ffirst and last particulars pro-

[In the handwriting of Daniel Denton.]

pounded by M^r Glover And Made Choice off three men (viz) M^r Holyoke Deacon Burt & Samll Marshfeild to fformalize the Address to be p^resented to y^e Generall Court.

Voted & ffully agreed upon by y^e town that y^e Mouth off y^e Long Meadow brooke shall bee y^e bounds betwixt this town & ffresh water River the line to run ffrom y^e mouth off y^e brooke a due east Line:

It was ffurther voted & Agreed upon that when y^e afforesayd 3 men (viz) M^r Holyoke Deacon Burt & Samll Marshfield have drawn out & ffound their Address to bee p^resented to y^e Generall Cort Relating to y^e Land purchased ffor y^e Ministry y^t they shall deliver it to y^e townsmen in order to their approbation before it bee sent to y^e Generall Court:

[III—106.]

A legall Town meeting Called January y^e 6th 1681

Voted by y^e Town to ffree David ffrow ffrom a powder Rate & all other Town Rates.

The Constable propounding to y^e town y^t y^e treasurer requiring by his warrant Mony ffor a Country Rate & y^e town for want of mony having made an addition thereunto to make it as Mony & therefore desires y^t y^e Town would secure him from any damage might happen to him Relating to y^e sayd Rate which y^e town did engage to doe.

Voted & Concluded by y^e Town y^t y^e Select men shall take

Care for y^e setting out or providing ffor y^e Maintenance off John Mathews his child according as they shall Judge most fit And y^e town doe agree & Conclude to defray such necessary charges & disburse so much mony as shall by y^e Select Men bee ordered or engaged ffor y^e putting out or maintaining y^e said child:

ffurther it is voted & Agreed upon by ye town y^t y^e Select men shall take Care of John Mathews & have an inspection over him y^t hee follow his employment & make improvement of his time: & to settle him in a way y^t hee may doe it:

At the Genll Town meeting: Febr: 7th: 1681:

Whereas there is due to the Country Treasurer Three pounds for transportting the Country Corne, fro Hartford to Boston, & at a meeting of the Committee for Examining the Constables (Aug: 29, 1681:) concerning Troopers money In the extraordinary Country rates, David Morgan did engage to pay to the Town 40^s & to be free of being further called to account for that overplus money paid in the Country rates: at this meeting febr: 7, 1681: The Town do forgive David Morgan this 40^s he engaged to the Town, to enable him to defray for that Three pounds.

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[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

At a Genl Town Meeting: Febr: 7th: 1681:

The worshipful Major Jn^o Pynchon Esq was chosen moderator for this meeting & al other Town meetings this following year.

Cornet Joseph Parsons & Deacon Jontha Burt were chosen a Committee to examine the accounts of the Select men of al the yeers past, & to bring to ballance al y^r accounts.

Cornet Parsons Deacon Jonathan Burt Thomas Day, Jn^o Hitchcock & Jno Holyoke were chosen Select men, to order the prudential affaires of the Town the yeare ensuing, & to act in what ever they Judge convenient or conducing to the welfare of the Towne according to their instructions & power in the 5th page of this booke.

Samuel Marshfeild chosen Mesurer for the Towns Lands.

Jn^o Holyoke was chosen Clerk or Recorder for the Town for this yeer.

Charles Ferry was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing & sworne.

Surveio^rs for high wayes were chosen: Jn^o Lamb James Dorchester for the Towns side.

Haywards for Genll feilds were chosen: viz: for Long medow, Samll Stebbein; for the Homelots Thomas Mirricke; for the West side the River, Jonathan Ball & James Warren-er: & for Chickuppi feild, Thomas Taylor; & Thomas Mirricke is granted to have or Improve his yard as a pound:

Deacon Jonath Burt Cornet Parsons & Jn^o Holyoke were chosen to joyne wth the Comittee for m^r Glover his house to examine & ballance the Townes debts & credits.

The Worshipful Major Pynchon Deacon Burt & Jn^o Holyoke and Jn^o Dumbleton & Cornet Parsons were chosen a comittee to treat with m^r Glover how to suite & accomodate him respecting the Generall Cortes answer to M^r Glover o^r Reverend Teacher and the Towns petition concerning m^r Glover o^r Reverend Teacher his Land viz: how m^r Glover might have that w^{ch} may be just & satisfactory to him by other land instead of that Land the Town did formerly give him, & y^e s^d Co^rte did determine not givable: & so to make report y^rof to the Town.

It was voted & concluded that Leiut: Stebbein should take care to get in the Towns powder that is yet in several mens hands, or els have liberty to take a bushel of Indian Corne for each pound of powder, that is not yet Returned:

Also It was voted & concluded that their should be a Comittee of five Men chosen to make a just equal Impartial valuation of the Townes Lands, & this to last for seven yeeres. Also that Benjamin Parsons Sen^r, Jn^o Dumbleton, Rolland Thomas Nathaneel Burt & Samuel Ball be this Comittee::

It was voted to give Samuel Ely one pound seventeene shillings or the over plus of seven pounds in his hands of the Towns money, upon the Account of y^e Troopers pay in y^e Country Rates Ano. 80: he paying the seven pounds to the

Towne The Townesmen or Select men have agreed wth Sam^l Ely: Feb: 13: 81: that he should be accountable to y^e Country Treasurer: 5£ 11^s 09^d & so to remitt him or discount wth him the abovesaid seven pounds & to pay him Ten shilings in Corne. The abovesaid 5£ 11^s 09^d was a quarter rate that was to be paid in money to y^e Country Treasurer. Se on the left hand.

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At a Town Meeting called by the Select Men, March 13, 1681-82.

At this Meeting It was voted, & unanimously consented that the worshipful Majo^r Pynchon Esq & Deacon Burt should have ful power to purchase m^r Dentons house & house Lot & Isaac Glesons Lot for o^r Reverend Teacher m^r Pelatiah Glover, in Case o^r Reverend Teacher will accept thereof in Leiu of the former lot, or part y^r of that this town hath already grannted to him, for his setling wth us in the worke of the ministry amongst us, as also to bargain wth Jonathan Ashley by way of Exchange of the Townes Muxy Medow for Jonathan Ashley medow in the same medow, for o^r Reverend Teacher, as also to se further what Lands may be Equivalent, or may be purchased to make an Alotment, or Alotments equivalent to the former Lot or Lots this Town have given to o^r Reverend Teacher m^r Glover.

It was further voted & Concluded that Leiut Stebbin should be measurer to measure Towne Lands, as wel as Samll Marshfeild for such as would Improve him so to measure.

It was voted, & granted to Increase Sikes to sell his boate out of the Towne, onely the Inhabitants of This Towne to have first the refusal.

It was further voted & concluded that the Select men in being should have pow^r to get in of y^e Several Inhabitants their arreares of their Rates to m^r Glover, for sundry yeeres past not repealing a former vote of the Towne that the Select men of every yeer get in the Rates of the Inhabitants, or else y^t they the said Select men make good such Rates or arreares of such Rates to m^r Glover o^r Reverend Teacher: as

also that they have the same power to gather in al other Ar-reares of al other Rates of the Towne.

And whereas Sundry Persons after written were absent fro this meeting, & there is a Town order that al Inhabitants (that may vote in Town Meeetings) as shal be absent fro such Meetings or depart there fro wth out leave, or wthout good ground of such absence allowed of by the Select men wthin one weeke, shal be find six pence p peice. It was voted & Concluded that the six pence fine fro those persons underwrit should be gathered by the Select men & Improved to pay Widow Beamons Rate or rates that are unpaid so far as those fines wil reach: The persons so absenting were as folows. Abel wright, Henry Chapin, Jn^o Bag, Jn^o Riley Sam: Marshfeild, Joseph Leonard Samll Terry, Serj^t morgan, Leiut Steb-bein, Tho: Stebbein, Jn^o Clarke, Deacon Parsons, John Harmon, Antho: Dorchester, Ensign Cooley, Quart^rm^r Colton, Tho: Colton, Samll Ely, Luke Hitchcocke, Jn^o Warner, David Morgan Jose: Stebbein.

March 1682: Rolland Thomas & Thomas Miller were appointed perambulation work between Springfield westfeild & suffeild, & did wth their men attend this worke.

At a Town Meeting: August 16: 1682: Samuel Marshfeild was chosen Comissioner to joine wth these Select men to take a list of the estate of this Towne that is ratable whether Personal or real & to convey y^e same to the shire meeting to comunicate y^e same wth the other Comission^s for y^e like worke.

Samuel Bal was chosen Constable for y^e yeer ensuing & sworne:

At a Town Meeting: Jan: 5th: 1682: At this meeting it was voted concluded that the Towne would allow & confirme the Select men their apprizem^s of the Towns Lands for the making the Towns rate, tho^o the Town did at the preceding genll Meeting [III—109.] chuse a comittee for such apprizem^{ts} of their Lands:

Further It was voted & concluded, that the order made: Febr: 3^d: 1679 that those house holders who have no sheep,

should pay the shepherd as for the keeping of Three sheep, should be repealed.

At this meeting the grant of Land that the Town granted to m^r Danll Denton Feb: 4, 1678: Se p. 186, was declared to be forfeited, he not fulfilling the Termes:

Also the Grantts to Quart^m Coulton & Ensign Cooley in the first book of the Plantations or Towns records: Jan^r: 9: 1662: were declared to be forfeited.

[III—110.]

A copy of an Indenture, between the Select men of Springfeild Ano: 81: & 82: & Samuel Terry Sen^r respecting Jn^o Matthews his child.

This Indenture made February the Seventeenth day, Ano Dom: 1681. Witnesseth That the Select men of the Town of Springfeild, whose Names are here subscribed (according to the Law of this Colony, that the Select men shal take care for & maintaine & dispose of such poor children whose Parents are either dead or so poor that they Cant nuse or provide for & maintaine such y^r children) Do by these p^rsents set forth & put to & agree wth Samll Terry Sen^r his wife, his heires & assignes, to take Into his family under his Care tuition & Education, & for his servant Jn^o Matthews his Son Named Jn^o Matthews (of about Ten months old) until the said Child shal attaine the age of One & Twenty yeeres, w^{ch} s^d Servant or app^rentice is wth the s^d Samll Terry Sen^r his wife & his heires & assignes faithfully to serve from the day of the date of these p^rsents until the said App^rentice shall attain the age of One & Twenty yeeres, accounting his birth to have beene upon the Eighteenth Day of April: Anno Dom. 1680. By al w^{ch} Time that is to Say, until the said App^rentice shall attaine the age aboves^d, his said Master Dame heires or Assignes he shal faithfully serve not absenting from his or their service Day nor Night the Secrets of the family he shal keep close, Matrimony he shal not Contract, He shal not play at Cards or Dice or any other unLawful Games, the goods of his master he shal not embezel or to any body Lend, wth his own proper Goods or any other, wthout Special Licence he shal not trade, but in

al things as a good & faithful Servant he shal behave himselfe towards his s^d Master or Dame or heires or Assignes, until he shal attaine such age of One & Twenty yeeres: & the s^d Samll Terry Sen^r: that his the s^d App^rntice shal be taught wel to read the English Tongue, he doth by these p^rsents Covenant & pmise for himself, his heirs & Assignes, & that During his app^rnticeship he shal be found wth meat drinke & Apparel & Lodging Suitable for an App^rntice or Serv^t, & at the end of his time he shal be sent away wth Two Good Suites of Apparel, one for working days & the other for holy Dayes in witness the said Parties to these p^rsents have hereunto set their hands & seales This Eighteenth Day of Febr: One thousand Six hundred & Eighty One.

John Holyoke
Joseph Parsons
Jonath Burt
Jn^o Hitchcocke
Thomas Day

Selectmen wth their Seale affixt:

Signed Sealed & Delivered

In the p^rsence of

Samuel Glover

John Crowfoot

Samuel Terry set his hand & Seale: Jan: 13: 1662:

Samuel Terry wth his Seal Affixt:

Witnesses are

John Norton

Nicolaus Rust

The wthin mentioned Select men & Samll Terry acknowledged this Instrum^t to w^{ch} their hands are subscribed .

Feb: 6th: 1682.

Before John Pynchon Assist:

That this is a true Cobby of the Indenture between y^e s^d Select men & the said Samll Terry Senio^r respecting the child of Jn^o Matthews.

Febr: 6, 1682.

attest John Holyoke recorder.

[III—III.]

Att a Genll Town Meeting, Febr: 6th: 1682:

The Worshipful major Jn^o Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for this meeting & al other Town Meetings this year ensuing.

Samuel Marshfeild & Henry Chapin were chosen a Committee to examine the accounts of the Select men of the year foregoing.

Samuel Marshfeild Deacon Parsons, Jn^o Dumbleton Japhet Chapin James Warriner were made Choice of to be the Select men to order the prudential affaires of the Town the year ensuing.

Joseph Ashley was chosen Constable for this year & Sworne Jn^o Holyoke was Chosen Clerke or Recorder for the year.

Samuel Marshfeild & Leiut Stebbin were chosen measurers for the Towns Land this year.

Joseph Parsons Jn^o Holyoke were appointed to examine the returne of y^e accounts of the Committee for the meeting house where in they find Eleven shillings due to the Committee to ballance al accounts: a copy of w^{ch} returne se page 113 & 114 & 115 of this booke.

Obadiah Cooley & Jonathan Morgan were chosen Surveyors for to se to the repairing of the high wayes for the Towns side:

Haywards for the Genll feilds were chosen, for the Home-lots Benja: Knowlton, for the West side the River Henry Rogers, for Chickuppi Jose: Bedortha for Long medow Jonathan Burt.

It was voted & Concluded that the Surveyors for the high wayes hence forwards should make a returne of their worke to the Select men at Least a weeke before the General Town Meetings.

It was voted & concluded that the fence veiwers of each Genll feild do take effectual care to give notice to al the Proprietors of said feilds concerning the time or times for the burning about the fences of the said feilds, & that the Proprietors come together by the beate of the Drum, or oth^r sufficient notice, & that they unanimously joine together to save one anothers fences belonging to the sev^ll feilds, & y^t no

Person Proprieto^r or any other do offer to set fire about the s^d fences, but at the time or times agreed on by the Veivers on the penalty of paying double damages, or forthwth making the said fences up again good & substantial fence or fences, & the Select men to give it in charge yearly to y^e said veivers, at their choice of them to attend accordingly:

It was further voted & Concluded to allow Ensigne Cooley, Quart^m Colton & Henry Chapin out of the Town rate made this yeer what doth appeare to be remaining as due to them, for what they divers yeers since have disbursed for, or Laboured for m^r Glover o^r Reverend Teacher his house, viz To Ensigne Cooley fourteen shillings & nine pence. To Henry Chapin four shillings & six pence: to Quart^m Colton: 2^s.

It was further agreed & concluded to give the Comittee for m^r Glover o^r Reverend Teachers house, fifty shillings to be equally divided between them & to be paid them out of the Town Rate the next yeer, & so the s^d Comittee to be for ever Silent to the Town respecting any promise or engagem^t of theirs to Victory Sikes to se him paid any Pay that was ever due to him for his frameing & building o^r Reverend Teachers house.

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It was voted & Concluded to give the worpp^l Major Pynchon Esq Twenty shillings he promising to surrender up his interest in the lease of the Town medow in the boggy medow, that the Townsmen did Lease out to m^r Danll Denton.

Whereas Thomas Day hath made Ten rod of fence between his homelot & The Towns Land in y^e old Training feild or the burying place, & demand pay of the Town for that worke (viz: 25 shillings) It was denyed that the Town should satisfy the same, it belonging to the proprieto^s of the homelots as they lye in a genll feild:

There haveing passed some undue & Contradicting votes referring to the Land o^r Reverend Teacher m^r Pelatiah Glover now possesses, for w^{ch} we have Cause to be humble before the Lord, we haveing first stated it to the ministry & afterward given it to o^r Reverend Teacher as his own propriety, &

yet afterward againe assumed it to the ministry thinking it o^r Duty so to doe, eyeing o^r first Sequestration thereof: upon which our Genll Corte hath declared it o^r Duty to give o^r Reverend Teacher a due Compensation to the ful value thereof. Considering the p^rmises, & o^r entanglem^{ts} thereby, & seing o^r Reverend Teacher is desirous to enjoy this o^r Gift to him, We doe Therefore Judge it meet & cheerfully conclude that the Forty acres more or lesse of Town Land of Chickupi, together wth the 6 acres & 1-2 of Town Medow, as alsoe about Two acres & halfe by m^r Denton's (w^{ch} we wil (God willing) purchase) be al set apart & appropriated for the ministry, in Leiu of the former land first stated to the ministry, if we may do so & not sin against God & that the Hono^rd Genll Co^rte be petitioned to allow of this exchange, stating this for the ministry in Leiu of the former, whereby o^r Reverend Teacher may enjoy that Land given him, according to & on the termes of o^r Grant to him, The Ratification & Confirmation whereof, being allowed by & obtained fro the Genll Corte, we hope may satisfy, & Compose al difficulties about it, It being understood only of one to be stated for y^e ministry, the Later taking place, the other to be void & for the effecting, & obtaining the hono^rd Genll Co^rte Ratification hereof it was concluded In^o Holyoke should draw up a Petition to the next Genll Co^rte accordingle.

It was also further concluded that the Worshipful major Pynchon Esq should give the Select men in behalfe of the Town a Deed of Sale of that Two acres & halfe by m^r Dentons house, & that also the Select men should give the Worshipful a Bil of Sixty five pounds to be paid him by the Towne.

The votes for this Exchange was 27: & the dissenters were 23: who though they dissented fro Confirming the Townes gift to o^r Reverend Teacher, yet they Consented to give him a ful compensation for the Land first set apart for the ministry.

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The Acco^t about the New-Meeting house by the Town of
Springfeild is Debter

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| Imp ^r ms: To John Allys for the frame | 140 | 00 | 00 |
| To raising it as by the paper of p ^t iculars | 39 | 2 | 4 |
| To Carting y ^e Slitworke Logs & al the Timber ov ^r y ^e River | 06 | 00 | 00 |
| To Carting the Tymber, as by Goodm: Ely's acco ^t &c | 18 | 16 | 7 |
| To Nailes 1 C G: Sikes had for a square & 1 C 1-2 Jn ^o Allys had at Raising | 00 | 2 | 6 |
| To Nailes which G: Marshfeild had from Had- ley | 01 | 01 | 9 |
| To Nailes 20 M of 6 ^d at 8 ^s 9 ^d | 8 | 15 | 00 |
| 4 M of 4 ^d at 5 ^s 6 ^d | 1 | 02 | 00 |
| 4 M 1-2 Larg 4 ^d at 6 ^s 0 ^d | 1 | 07 | 00 |
| 1 M 1 C of 8 ^d at 12 ^s 6 ^d | 0 | 14 | 00 |
| 1678 4 M of 10 ^d at 15 ^s 0 ^d | 3 | 00 | 00 |
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| | 14 | 18 | 00 |
| To 1 M of 6 ^d Nailes w ^{ch} Goodm: Dorchester procured | 00 | 09 | 00 |
| To 5 M of 4 ^d nailes at Lathing: 5 ^s 6 ^d p M | 01 | 07 | 6 |
| To Glasse: 323 foot at 6 ^d p foote, 8£ 06 ^s To drawn lead 4£ 10 ^s | 12 | 11 | 6 |
| To Jn ^o Gilbert for work ⁿ g up Glasse at 3 ^d p foot: 4 14 6 | 5 | 2 | 6 |
| Pining the Casem ^{ts} o 6 0: & for 2 qu ^{ts} of oile: 1 ^s 6 ^d | | | |
| Peuter for sodder came to | 0 | 7 | 6 |
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| | 18 | 01 | 8 |
| To 1 dozen of Iron Casem ^{ts} | 05 | 10 | 00 |
| To 1 Jar of oile Linseed oile | 01 | 05 | 00 |
| To 19 M of shingles at 20 ^s & 12 ^s over for Long ends | 19 | 12 | 00 |

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|---|-------|----|----|
| To Clapboards jointing & shaveing of y ^m | 10 | 19 | 08 |
| To G: Norton, G. Marshfeild: & G: Pope for clapboarding the sides & Territt & shingling the whole roof 10£ & for Lay ⁿ g the boardes 30 ^s on the rooffe & Territt | 11 | 10 | 00 |
| To Goodm: Norton, for planking & floaring the Territt | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| To Boardes & as p Increase & Victory Sikes their acco ^t this 6 th of Jan: 1678. | | | |
| 1015 f. of Inch 1-4 Pine Plank at 5 ^s 6 ^d p C is | 2 | 16 | 8 |
| 360 f. of boards at 4 ^s 6 ^d | 0 | 16 | 4 |
| 530 f. Inch 1-4 planke | 1 | 9 | 0 |
| 260 f. Inch 1-2 oake planke | 1 | 4 | 9 |
| 420 f. Inch & 1-4 oake planke | 1 | 14 | 3 |
| 3728 f. boards last yeer 1677 | 8 | 9 | 0 |
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| | 16 | 10 | 0 |
| To Incr. & Victory Sikes for boards for the doores | 0 | 9 | 8 |
| To boards fro the saw mil over the River 3 C 1-2 | 0 | 15 | 9 |
| To G: Jefferys for 5 C of boards | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| To Stone acco ^t as by the Paper of Particulars | 26 | 02 | 02 |
| To several persons carting smal Timber sleep ^{rs} &c as p acco ^t | 11 | 19 | 10 |
| Paid G: morgan for Hedge on the back side the Meeting house to secure the feild as G Ely agreed | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| To Samll Stebbein for 5 rod of 5 raile fence to fencing in y ^e Meeting house y ^d | | | |
| Pd Jn ^o Allis for Laying the foundation of the Stone worke | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| To Goodm: Steward for worke about Tooles | 00 | 05 | 06 |
| To Goodm: Dorchester for fetching up Jn ^o Gilbert & Son Expences & horses & for ferriage of horses | 00 | 02 | 06 |

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|---|-------|----|----|
| Pd Goodm: Ely for carring down Jn ^o Gilbert & Two Horses | 00 | 08 | 06 |
| Pd for carring down to Hartford 16 bu. & 1-2 of wh ^t w ^{ch} the Town is to allow, bec. it was to pcure a barrll of Porke for Geo. Norton | 00 | 06 | 10 |
| To carring 29 bu: of Ind. Corne to Jn ^o Gil- bert & Carting it, &c. we Reckon noth- ing for w th Carriage | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| for cleansing & loss & 1-2 bu. wh ^t at Hartford | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| To carriage of Ind: Corn & Porke to Hartford for Jn ^o Allys | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| To Benja: Knowlton for 2 M of Lath | 00 | 19 | 00 |
| To Ens: Cooley for 1 barll of Tar for the Territ | 00 | 13 | 00 |
| To Jonath Burt 4 days Laying the floor 9 ^s to G: Lamb 4 ^d . 9 ^s to Sam Marshfeild 4 dayes 9 ^s | 01 | 07 | 00 |
| To Samll Marshfeild 2 da. make ⁿ g Ladder & altering the floore | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Two da. putting up Glass 4 ^s . 1 da: Lathing be- sides with others 2 ^s | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| For piling Clapboards, & 1 day fetching boards | 00 | 03 | 06 |
| For dieting Jn ^o Gilbert & his Son 3 weekes, horse pasture &c | 01 | 10 | 00 |
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The Meeting house is Further Dr.

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| Jonathan Burt help'g make the Ladder | 00 | 01 | 08 |
| To G: Pope for nailing downe the floor | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| for the Pulpit Deacons Seate & staires | 05 | 10 | 00 |
| Raising the Pulpit floor frame &c | 00 | 15 | 00 |
| for the upper worke & makeing it tight | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| To Two quarts of drinke for Jn ^o Gilbert when he made y ^e Glass | 00 | 04 | 00 |

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| To the workmen that were employed in taking down y ^e Gallery Timb ^r | 00 | 06 | 06 |
| To Brasse for y ^e vane | 00 | 04 | 00 ^r |
| To hands to raise the Ladder: 1 qu ^t of Rum | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| To Goodm: Steward for Spikes hinges staples &c as by his acc ^t feb: 7, 1679 | 02 | 08 | 06 |
| To Victory Sikes for worke &c | 00 | 13 | 00 |
| To Goodm: Mirricke for ladder Poles | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| To Samll Ely for 1 M of Lath nails | 00 | 05 | 00 |
| Two C of nailes Goodm: Pope had for use about the Meeting house | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Three C of 4 ^d nailes G: Pope had more; 7 C Goodm: Marshfield had | 00 | 04 | 06 |
| 1 M & 1-2 for the Windows 6 ^s 9 ^d more 1 M 4 ^s 6 ^d | 00 | 11 | 03 |
| From m ^r Way we had 3 M of nailes cost 32 ^s out of w ^{ch} we had 7 ^s so it is | 01 | 05 | 09 |
| Three yards of broad Sacking for the Tar-polling | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| To Goodm: Cooley for 4 C of nailes | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| To Goodm: Steward for Rods &c for the Canope | 01 | 04 | 06 |
| Nailes from Goodm: Day | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| April 16, 79. | | | |
| 3 C of nailes, at 20 ^d To G: Pope more 1 C about floor & Seates | 00 | 06 | 08 |
| To Goodm: Pritchard for showing Jn ^o Allys the Timber 2 ^s | | | |
| To slit worke used about the Pulpit 5 3 | | | |
| To great nailes from Increase Sikes 3 6 | 00 | 10 | 09 |
| Dec: 1680. Pd to Tho: Gilbert for 1 pane of Glasse w ^{ch} y ^e dogs brake downe | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| To pain ^t to G: Pope for Benches in the Al-leyes 13 ^s Timber 12 ^d | | | |
| Apr: 17: 1680. To 1-2 C of nailes to G: Pope, 6 ^d more nailes 18 ^d | 00 | 16 | 00 |

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| To James Mun more then the 20 ^s allowed him, as in raising acco ^t for his Land to frame on more | 00 | 03 | 06 |
| To Goodm: Steward due on the Vane, besides the 2£ 6 ^s pd him by the young men, more I pd him 28 ^s | 01 | 08 | 00 |
| To Gallery Timber & Joice, as p acco ^t of y ^e p ^t iculars | 03 | 15 | 08 |
| To Samll Allys for turning 6 diz. of bannist ^r s at 4 ^s | 1 | 4 | 0 |
| turning 2 of the gr ^t pillars, at 3 ^s 6 ^d | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| turning 7 posts | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| To Jn ^o Allys his diet w th 2 da. of Samll Allys makes it 5 weekes | 01 | 18 | 00 |
| To Jn ^o Lamb 4 da. worke 8 ^s Jonathan Bush 7 dayes 14 ^s | 01 | 02 | 00 |
| To Isaac Gleson for 17 dayes at 3 ^s P day | 02 | 11 | 00 |
| To Nathll Mun; 14 day at 2 ^s 9 ^d | 01 | 18 | 06 |
| To Danll Beamon for 6 da: about the Pillars at 2 ^s 3 ^d | 00 | 13 | 06 |
| To 2 Plankes &c 3 ^s 6 ^d | 00 | 03 | 06 |
| Boards nails &c: fro Phill: Mattoon 2 C 1-2 of of boards 10 ^s 2 C 1-2 slit worke 16 ^s 6 ^d | 01 | 06 | 06 |
| To 1 C of nailes 1 ^s 6 ^d 1 da: Carting fro Sho- nungonuck 6 ^s | 00 | 07 | 06 |
| To boards fro G: Thomas al is 11 ^s Carting the boards 1 ^s 5 ^d | 00 | 12 | 06 |
| To Cornet Parsons for 3 C 1-2 nailes 5 ^s 6 ^d 25 foot 4 Inch planke 3 ^s | 00 | 08 | 06 |
| pd Goodm: Horton for 1 M boards & carting y ^m to y ^e Meeting house | 02 | 07 | 06 |
| To allowance to G: Pope about the ministers Seate & for m ^{rs} Glovers Seat as the Comittee agreed w th him, w ⁿ he was at Springfeild in 1682 al is 30 ^s | 01 | 10 | 00 |

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| To 1 M 1-2 of nailes fro Deac: Burts acco ^t , w ^{ch} he sayes he had for y ^e Meeting house freezes on the Window, & so are to be accounted here | 00 | 02 | 06 |
| To Deacon Burt for worke putting the Freez- es over the windowes | 00 | 02 | 06 |
| To him 4 da: w th Jn ^o Allys about the Gallerys | 00 | 06 | 08 |
| To 7 da: of Jn ^o Burt helping G: Allys about the Pillars | 00 | 14 | 00 |
| To 4 da. Goodm: Marshfeild | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| To Jn ^o Hitchcocke keeping G: Allys horse &c | 00 | 03 | 00 |
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| out of w ^{ch} take widow Beamon rates which y ^e Town gave her: 13 ^s 6 & 4 ^s 11 | | | | 00 | 18 | 5 |
| & Goodm: Crowfoots rates Lost | 1 | 1 | 0 | | | |
| & | 0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 02 |
| Timo: Coopers Rates Lost | 0 | 12 | 10 | | | |
| & | | 4 | 6 | 0 | 17 | 4 |
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Resting due to the Committee for the Meeting
house

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Febr: 6th, 1682: This acco^t given in to the Towne at the
Town Meeting febr: 6, 1682 P John Pynchon:
the Committee also p^rsent: viz.

Jonathan Burt.

Samll Marshfeild.

This account Examined by those whose Names are under-
written or here subscribed as chosen by the Town.

& we find the Town Dr 400 05 00

& we find the Towns c^rdite to be 399 14 01

So y^r is Resting due to the Committee for the

Meeting house 00 10 11

Joseph Parsons

John Holyoke

This is a true Coppy of the acco^t of charges about the New
Meeting house, given in by the Worshipll Majo^r Pynchon
Esq to the Town, erro^rs Excepted.

Jn^o Holyoke Record^r by the ord^r of the Town.

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At a Town Meeting: Aug: 15, 1683.

Att this Meeting Deacon Jonathan Burt was chosen Com-
missioner to joyne wth the Select men to take a list of the Rate-
able Estate of this Town, both p[']sonall & reall, & further to
attend the shire meeting wth the other Comission[']s as the
Law directs.

Ephraim Colton also was chosen Constable.

At a Town meeting: August 29: 1683.

At this Meeting it was voted concluded & unanimously ap-
proved that m^r John Richards, as he hath begun to teach the
Towns children, so that he should goe on in this good & nec-

essary worke, & be y^e schoolmaster, and the Town doth Leave it wth the Select men to agree wth Him about his stipend as also to determine what Parents & masters shal allow for the teaching of their children & servants, & that the supply for the making of the schoolmasters Stipend shal be made by the Towne.

And whereas at a Towne Meeting, August 24: 1681: It was Concluded that an East-line from the Mouth of Longmedow Brooke should be the bound between Springfield & Enfeild, It was now voted & concluded that Quart^mr Geo: Colton Samuel Marshfeild Isaac Colton and Nathaneel Blisse should be a Committee to run this dividing line Eastward, & that they doe it some Time the next November.

At the Genll Meeting: Feb: 5th: 83 Since this order of the Towne is not attended It was further voted & agreed that the same Persons & Henry Chapin added to them, should be a Committee to attend the aboves^d worke, & This some time between this & next April, & Samll Marshfeild to give notice to the men of Endfeild, & to determine the Time for the afores^d worke:

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Here followes a cobby of the Record of a Countie Court: (Sept: 25: 1683) respecting Ensigne Benjamin Cooley his Covenanting and givinge bonds to the Town of Springfield to save the said Town marmles fro al damages that may happen to the Country Rhode to Longmedow, by reason of a drein he hath made thorow it a little above his house.

At a Countie Co^rte holden at Springfield Sept: 25th, 1683
Whereas Ensigne Benjamin Cooley of Springfield hath made a drein thorow the Country Rhode or high way that Leades to the Long Medow belonging to Springfield, that he might Lay that low & wet Land behind his house dry, he the said Benjamin Cooley did appeare in the said Co^rte & set his hand to a bond (w^{ch} is on file wth the Records of this said Co^rte) wherein he engaged before the s^d Co^rte for himselfe his heires Executo^rs Administrators and Assignes firmly to the said Town of Springfield, That he wil secure the said

Town of Springfield harmeles from al damages that may happen to said Country Rhode by reason of said Drein: as followes in a Coppy of said bond here transcribed:

Know al men by these p^rsents, That whereas I Benjamin Cooley Sen^r of Springfield have made a drein thorow the Country Rhode or high way that Leades to the Longmedow belonging to Springfield aforesaid, that so I might Lay the Swamp & Low Lands behind my house dry, & make said Land improvable by me & for mee, Therefore by these p^rsents for & in good Considerations me thereunto moveing, I do bind my selfe my heires Executo^rs Administrato^rs & Assignes firmly to the said Town of Springfield (That this said drein shal not endanger or any wayes damnify the said Country Rhode, &) to Secure the said Town of Springfield from al damages that may happen to s^d Country Rhode, by reason of the drein thus made by me, In witnes whereof I have hereunto set my hand this Twentie Sixth day of September, Anno Domini: 1683:

Benjamin Cooley Sen^r
his marke:

At the Countie Corte held at Springfield, Septtebr 26th 1683.

Benjamin Cooley Sen^r above s^d appeared in Co^rte & subscribed his hand to this writing or bond acknowledging himselfe bound as is in the prmises Expressed.

as attests Jn^o Holyoke Clerke of s^d Co^rte.

Jan: 23: 1683: Extracted out of the Records of Hampshire Courts & Compared therewith & is vera Copia

P Jn^o Holyoke Clerke.

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Att the Genll Town Meeting: Febr: 5th: 1683:

At this Meeting the Worshipful Major Jn^o Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for this Meeting, & for al other Meetings for this year.

Henry Chapin & Jn^o Holyoke were chosen a Committee to examine the Select mens accounts of the yeere forgoing:

Deacon Jonathan Burt Henry Chapin Jn^o Hitchcock Sam-

uel Bal and Jn^o Holyoke were chosen Select men to order (God Assisting) the prudential affaires of the Town for the year ensuing, & to act according to directions page 5th of this booke.

Thomas Mirricke were chosen Constable for this year, & sworne:

Samll Marshfeild was chosen Measurer for the Towns Lands this year.

John Holyoke was chosen Town Clerke or Recorder for this year.

Samuel Blisse Sen^r & Samuel Terrey were chosen surveio^rs to se to the repairing the high wayes for the Towns side.

It was further voted & concluded that the Select men should chuse Haywards to the genll feilds belonging to the Town.

It was further voted & Concluded that the select men should discourse wth any meet person for the keeping a Ferry over the gr^t River, & haveing found such an one to make report thereof to the Town, as also they are to consider the most meet place where it shalbe kept, & signify accordingly:

It was further voted & Concluded that the former Comittee chosen Aug: 29, 1683 to Run the East line between Springfield & Endfeild, wth Henry Chapin now added to them should attend the s^d affaire, & this to be done some time between this & the following Aprill, and that Samuel Marshfeild do give notice hereof to the men of Endfeild & that he determine the line for s^d worke:

It was further voted & Concluded, to move the hono^rd Genll Co^rte by way of Petition to sett the bounds between Springfield & Hadley & between Springfield & Northampton, & that Springfield Towns bounds do joyne to both their Town bounds, as also to settle o^r East bounds at the brooke comonly called Stony brooke at the foot of the mountains East fro Springfield; As also y^t the same hono^rd Co^rte would consider o^r poverty, & so difficulty to pay o^r Country Rates in money, & therefore set for us a price on o^r Corne for o^r paym^t of o^r both former & p^rsent & al other Country Rates instead

of Money, & y^t the Select men do gather Ten shillings in Money to go along wth this Petition.

It was further voted & Concluded that the price of cattle in the list for the makeing of the Country Rates should be the price of cattle for the makeing al y^e Townes Rates.

The grants of land at this meeting Se in Pa: 193.

Att this meeting the Kings declaration July 26: 1683 was read. [III—119.]

At a Town Meeting March 14: 1683-4.

Att this Meeting It was voted & Concluded, that if the Constable forbears to collect the moneys Rates til such time as there be a Returne of the Towns Petition To the Genll Co^rte that the Town wil beare him harmles fro y^e Treasurers warrant:

It was voted to take the acco^t of the Towns stocke as it shalbe taken in the Country List, & to go by that for the making of all the Towns Rates for this year:

The hono^rd Countie Co^rte having appointed this Town to consider & state a Place for a Country Ferry, & to procure a person to attend it: & make report thereof to the next hono^red corte.

The Town did vote & Conclude that the place should be at John Dorchesters & he declaring himselfe willing to attend the Ferry provided he may have liberty to sel drink & be freed fro Military Trainings & to encourage him the Town did vote & conclude him to have Liberty to take niue pence p horse & man of o^r own Inhabitants a time, he the said Jn^o Dorchester declaring himselfe contented that any of the Inhabitants use any other way or man or meanes to transport over the River.

Further, whereas many persons are careless of giving in a ful account of their cattle for the making the Country Rates or making the list for s^d rates & o^r Town have Concluded to make all o^r Townes Rates by the said list; Therefore It is now voted and Concluded that if any person of o^r Inhabitants be negligent hereof, viz: of giveing in a true & ful account of al their Cattle, horse or swine or sheep, & it appeare in the

following part of the year that they had such creatures at the time of taking the Countreys List, That then the said own^{rs} of said Creatures doe pay Ten shillings for such fault or forfeit said beasts whereof one third part shal be to the Informer: & the other Two Thirds to the Towne:

At a Town meeting: Aug: 13th 1684.

Samuel Marshfeild was chosen Comission^r to join wth the Selectmen in the taking a list of the Townes Estate, both Personal & real, & to communicate the Same wth other Comission^{rs} for the worke at the shire meeting, as the Law directs

Samuel Blisse Juno^r was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing.

At a Town meeting: Dec: 23: 1684.

At this meeting the Town did desire & appoint Samll Marshfeild & Deacon Parsons to view the ground below the Corne mil & between the Cartway & the foot way over the mil River & to state the highway over the Mil River for the rendering the highway passage there convenient & to free the s^d highwayne from Inconveniencys, & any difficultys for thoro-fare for Carting or for Cattle.

At this meeting James Barker is voted an Inhabitant of this Towne & Samll Marshfeild doth acknowledge himselfe bound In the sum of Twenty pounds to the Town to Secure the Town of Charges that may arise to the Town by reason of the said James Barker.

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Further, at this meeting Edward Allyne was voted an Inhabitant of this Town & Thomas Cooper doth acknowledge himselfe bound in the sum of Twenty pounds to free the Town from charges that may come to the Town by reason of the said Edward Allyne.

Also Thomas Sweetman of Hartford was voted an Inhabitant of this Towne.

Further, the Worppl Majo^r Pynchon Esq doth Resigne up to the Towne any Interest in Land he may have below the foot bridge that Leads from the Townewards over mil River.

Jan: 22: 1684: At a Town meeting being a very full meeting:

Voted at this meeting to Lay out o^r Townes boundes granted last May by y^e Hono^red Genll Courte; Especially & firstly o^r most East^{ly} line from North to South and for effecting of it Samll Marshfeild Rolland Thomas Jn^o Hitchcocke Samll Terry Henry Chapin Josias Leonard & Nathall Blisse are appointed to attend the worke, & Layout o^r whole boundes on both sides of the great River as speedily as the weather wil permit: Saml Marshfeild & Rolland Thomas or either of y^m to appoint the Time, & order the attendance of the worke, writeing to Towns concerned as need may be.

It was further voted & Concluded That al former grants of Land wthin this Township of Springfeild to each & every Singular Person in this Town have been were & are to them & their heires for ever, it being Intentionally, truly & fully & wholly so. In all the first grants, & no otherwise in the least Intended, what ever deficiency may be In the Records, (except where any special reason reserve is, or men p^rsently deserted the same: therefore It is now unanimously declared That al grants be & were soe at the First, when the grants were made to any man that the lands granted were to him & his heires & Assignes for ever however any Record may be short, & therefore is to be rectified, as is here declared:

And that a first Record of al grants of Land to every singular Grantee & to his heires & Assignes for ever may be made Major Jn^o Pynchon Esq John Holyoke Deacon Jonathan Burt & Samll Marshfeild, are appointed to draw out al mens Lands in al & any times past, & menter y^m as aforesaid to them every particular Grantee his heires & Assignes for ever: And however any Grantee whatsoever may delay or neglect his so having his lands recorded as granted to him & his heires & Assignes for ever; yet It is hereby declared as above said that every singular grant was to the Grantees them or him & his heires & Assignes for ever, (except as before excepted & shal be & remaine to all & every singular Individual Grantee his heires & his Assignes for ever.

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Further, upon motion of Samll Blisse Jun^r y^e p^rsent Con-

stable that men would pay him the money w^{ch} is due to the Countrey, or that he is required to gather in y^e Country Rate, or set him in a way otherwise to receive & gather it, if they cannot pay money, & secure him from hazzard in reference to the warrant he hath, It is voted after serious debate concerning the Inability of most if not all to pay the money Rate in money to the County Treasurer, That they wil pay the money Rate to the p^rsent Constable, Samll Blisse in Corne at Country Price, wth halfe as much more added to it, & wil secure him harmles in reference to losse or allowance To the Treasurer. He keeping an account of what graine each man payes him, that such particular man may make up the losse in that graine.

It was also voted That we wil humbly rep^rsent to the honoured Genll Co^rte, y^e extreame inability of o^r Inhabitants to pay any Rates in money, & supplicate their favor to remove from us such Impossibilityes, & hence forth take corne of us as formerly, & that Jn^o Hitchcocke wth the Selectmen, are appointed to draw up a Petition, accordingly to be p^rsent to the next Genll Co^rte, & to desire the concurrence of the Neighbo^r Townes of this County therein.

An Exhibition or Declaration was given in & p^rsent by the Worshipll Major Pynchon Esq at this Town Meeting Jan: 22: 84: Touching the disposing of the Lands as yet to be disposed of, for which se the next page forward, and the second section

For as much as the Grant of Lands & Addition of bounds Feby: 3^d: 1684. Att a General Town Meeting:

Inp^r: The Worshipll Jn^o Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for this meeting, & for al other meetings of the Town for this year.

Quarterm^r Colton Samll Marshfeild Samll Ely were chosen Committee to examine the Accounts of the Select men of Last choice.

Quarterm^r Colton Samll Marshfeild Benjamin Parsons Jn^o Dumbleton & Samll Blisse Sen^r were chosen Selectmen to order the prudential affaires for the yeer ensuing according to instructions p. 5th

Samuel Marshfeild was chosen Measurer for Lands.

John Holyoke was chosen Town Clerke or Recorder for this year.

Obadiah Cooley was chosen Constable & Sworne.

David Morgan & Jn^o Burt were chosen Survvors for the East side of the River, & Tho: Miller for the west side of the River to se to y^e repaire of y^e Country high wayes.

The Worshipll Major Pynchon Esq was desired, & voted to be p^rsent wth the Comittee chosen to Lay out the boundes between Springfield & Hadley & the bounds or line between Springfield & Northampton.

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For the satisfaction & ease of the Town respecting Charges It was voted & concluded that the Select men shal contract no bargain or engage any sum above Twenty pounds for the Inhabitants to pay by Rate, wthout first advising with & consulting the Town, & having their approbation concerning the same.

Further, for as much as the Additional boundes, or Grant should attend the s^d affaire, & this to be done some time be of Lands to this Towne by y^e Hono^rd Gen^l Co^rte May last, 1684, was & is to the p^rsent Inhabitants & Proprieto^rs of Springfield their heires & Assignes for ever; many of whom are desirous of & moving for their share in s^d Lands, upon w^{ch} wth other Considerations Induceing; It was at this meeting Voted and concluded that the Eastern line or bound of the Plantation of Springfield being run & stated from Hadley Town bound on the North to Enfeild Town bound on the South; Then al the Land from the s^d Eastern line for four miles westward toward the s^d Springfield from both the Northerne & Southern boundes is hereby granted & agreed to be Laid out in Proprietyes to each p^rsent Inhabitant & proprietor his heires & assignes for ever his due proportion; & also the Lands on the West side of the great River from John Rileys Brooke Northward to Northampton boundes, & to the Westfeild boundes Westward; Also the Land from the head of the Brooke beyond Thomas Coopers that runs

into Three mile Brooke unto Southfeild Southward, & unto Westfeild westaward, be alike distributed to each Inhabitant & Proprietor their heires & assignes for ever, & in Special It was Voted that three hundred acres at the Least be granted to the ministry on the East side the River out of the Land hereby first voted to be Laid out as aforesaid, & that One hundred & fifty acres be to the schoole out of the same, & that the ministry & the schoole have their Proportions in the Lands on the West side of the great River; As also that of Reverend Teacher m^r Pelatiah Glover have his Proportions in the Lands hereby agreed to be Laid out on both sides the great River; It was further voted & agreed that the Lands on the East boundes of the Town shal be Laid out in three Divisions & that the Lands on the West side of the gr^t River shal be Laid out in Two divisions to each man his Proportions. It was also voted that these divisions to each man shal be by casting of Lots; & that divisions by casting Lots, be by as many Lots or casting of Lots, as there be divisions. It was further voted that the first Lot begin on the Northerly part of the Land to be divided; also It was further voted that those divisions be by Estates and Poles, & that the Poles be Esteemed in the Rate at Twelve poundes P Pole, and that al Male children under age be valued as ratable Poles: viz: £12 P Pole. It was further Voted & Concluded that these Lands when divided while Comon or unfenced shal be Comon or free to al the Inhabitants for grasse herbage & Timber, & free from Rates til Improved & then Rated onely as Improved; & that Jn^o Holyoke draw out a List of Estates & Poles of the Inhabitants for the mesurer.

Further It was Voted & agreed, that al the Lands not contained wthin the boundes aforementioned both on the East side the great River, & on the West side the great River, be to, or L^y to the p^rsent Inhabitants Comon, their heires, & Assignes for ever, & not to be granted out at any time, but by the joint Consent & grant of the Major part of the Inhabitants in their Town meetings orderly called.

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At a Town Meeting. April 24: 1685.

Whereas the Town did pass a Vote to pay Samll Blisse Jun^r, Constable the Country money Rate in Corne at Country price, wth an Addition of halfe so much more, & accordingly did pay the money Rate to s^d Constable, that is the Major Part of the Town did so pay, & principally in Indian, w^{ch} at p^rsent is extreme Low at the Market: It is now voted & concluded that each man do again receive his Corne paid upon s^d Account, & that the Town wil save harmles said Constable from the Country Treasurer by reason of any Warrant from him, & the Constable to appoint to deliver the Corne pd as aforesd:

It was further voted & concluded that for the making the Townes Rates for this yeer, the Select men do timely order the apprizm^t of the Townes stocke, as formerly.

Further, it was voted that the Select men doe send next weeke to John Alice, to desire him to Come to this Town the following month, to hang the Bel for the Towne, as also It was agreed to Leave it to him to determine, as he Judges best to hang the Bel, whether in the Terret or West of the Meeting-house, & to desire of him direction w^t Timber to get for s^d Worke.

It was further Voted & concluded to Invite m^r Richards the schoolmaster to continue wth us the next yeer to keep schoole, & that the Select men doe indent wth him, for the salary. It was further agreed that Al Parents or house holders be enjoined to send their children & servants, & that Al Persons from the Round hil to the mil River that doe not send their children that are above five yeers & under nine yeeres, That said Persons Pay for such children for the space of halfe a yeer after the Rate of Two Pence P weeke.

It was further Voted & Concluded to allow Obadiah Cooley Samll Blisse Jun^r & Nathaneel Blisse Three Poundes to Repaire the Long Medow Bridge In the Country Rhode: they speedily attending the said Worke, Laying five New Sleepers of Good Sound Timber, & Planking them wth halfe Trees, & Pinning them down wth Croose Peices, & putting up Poles by the sides of said Bridge. It was also agreed or determined

that the Countie Corte should be desied to determine what Hadley Town should pay as their Proportion for the repaire of s^d Bridge.

It was further Voted & Granted that Deacon Burt Miles Morgan Thomas Mirricke Sen^r Charles Ferrey & John Warner have liberty to the Fishing Places at Agawam River & chickuppi River, & to make any Reasonable benefite they may or can of the fishing Places, & that noe body should hinder them herein, nor they to refuse any other Persons their joyning wth them.

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The Committee of Springfeild for Running the s^d Towns Bounds their Acts for laying out the Bounds of the Town of Springfeild. Or an Account of their Several dayes Running the Lands wth their Neighbor Townes, And their stateing & Agreeing Springfeilds Boundes wth their Neighbor Townes, Ano Domi: 1685.

March 23^d 1684-5. The Comittee appointed by the Town of Springfeild for setting the o^r Bounds & Grant from the hono^rd Gen^l Co^rte went out Eastward First to take our most Easterly Bounds at Stoney Brooke to take a Convenient Place for running a strait line North & South, we quickly found the Brooke there (Comonly called Stony Brook) to Part & become two brookes or to be two streames, & being on the Easterly or North^{ly} side of it, & finding that part the biggest stream & Properly Stony Brooke we followed it a little way up, & then finding it to turne away Eastward (though o^r Grant by y^e hono^rd Gen^l Corte was from the Brooke, yet because it turned unexpectedly & Run East) here we Came to a stand: And at this place (about forty or fifty Rods Eastward from where the Brooke Parts) upon a knap or rising Ground by the side of Stony Brooke we pitched o^r East Bounds, & to run a strait Lyne South & North, & up on that knap Hil or Rising ground by Stony Brooke side, then standing a faire Pine Tree, we marked it for o^r Lyne, & set the Surveio^rs marke O on the south side of the Tree, & Likewise O the surveio^rs marke on the North side of the

said Pine Tree: And from thence turning the Line directly North, from the said Pine Tree about Ten Rods further north, we marked another Pine Tree O and O. South & North, w^{ch} stood in the line: about Thirty or forty Rods further North we marked a Third Tree wth O & O, w^r we p^resently Came to Cross the Bay Path, or Road that Leads toward the Bay: and by the Bay Path a little from it stood Two Pines Trees in o^r Lyne, One on the South side of y^e Path, & the other on the North side of the Path, which we marked O & O South and North, & set S P (for Springfeild on the west side & South side of that Tree w^{ch} stands next the Path, So passing on in o^r Lyne North a little further towards a Brooke on the Top of the Hil (going down Into the bottoms & towards the brooke) a smal white oak stands in the line marked O. O. South & North: over the brooke North going up the Hil a Pine O. O. & Two or three Pine Trees more in the line being marked, & going on is a Prettie Big white Oake in the line marked O. O. South & North, and another white oake marked on the East side O. Then going on a Pine Tree in the line marked O. O. South & North: Then a Pine O. O. another Pine O. O. & a smal Pine Tree wth in a few foot of it marked: further on, a Pine Tree in the line O. O. South & North: Then a blacke Oake O. O. a pine O. O. another Pine O. O. in six or seven Rod: A Pine O. O. five rod off another Pine O. O. A smal burnt chestnut tree O. O. A Pine O. O. A Pine O. O. A Pine O. O. A Pine O. O. A smal Pine O. O. Then a Red Oake O. O. another red Oake O. O. A chestnut Tree O. O. A Nave wood Tree O. O. in a Swamp or run of water (Then an old dead Pine a little marked) Then on a Pine O. O. within six rod further North in the line a Pine O. O. Then Two Pines O. O. Two or Three Rods of one another. Then a great Pine O. O. a blacke Oake O. O. A pine O. O. a Pine O. O. Here we Come to Chickuppy River where a Pine Tree in the line on the River Bank is marked S. P. And upon the River Banke because we Could [III—125.] not goe over the River we marked Two or Three Pine Trees, on the North Side of them, to be seene on the other side of the River, when we should Come there to carry

on the Line further North toward Hadley. And so we returned back to the Bay Path, & to the first Pine Tree upon the knap or Hil by Stony Brooke side where we first began In the Morning: & then going South over Stony Brooke (being over the first branch of it w^{ch} turnes of Eastward) Up the Hil from y^e Brooke, on the Top of the Hill. a Pine Tree in the Lyne we marked O. O. North & South: & also set S. P. on it; stil going on in the lyne South; upon the Ridge a Smal Pine Tree in the Lyne is marked O. on the North, & O. on the South side: going on stil South, upon the Ridge in the Line is another Pine Tree O. O. further on South is another Pine Tree marked O. O. Again a Pine O. O. Then Coming to a Pool Hollow or Shore full of smal Poplar Trees, the line passing through it, on the South side of it is a Pine Tree marked O. O. North & South: further on South in the line, going up the Hill, a Pine is marked O. O. North & South, where It being neer night, we Left of for this Day, & Returned home: from Chickuppy River to this Place we measured it by the Lyne we Carried, & it is ful Three Miles South from Chickuppy River on the North: and something better. The Three Miles being out, before we marked the Last Tree, when Night Came on.

April 6: 1685: The Comittee for running the bounds went againe upon the same worke, when we divided o^r Company, Intending that some should carry on the former line South to Enfeild Bounds, & the Rest to run the Line betweene Springfield & Enfeild, & so to meete, but the Night coming we Could not attaine it.—When Samll Marshfeild Rolland Thomas Samll Terrey & Joseph Stebbins In Jn^o Hitchcocks Roome, & John Merricke In Josiah Leonards Roome went out to o^r East Bounds, to take the Line at the Pine Tree last named to be marked O. O. North & South, goeing up the Hill, & they now continued to run on strait in the line, marking at the Trees in the line wth the Surveio's Marke, O North & O South, & so besides the Three miles former line Run, they this day run only Three Miles & a halfe, y^e last Tree marked being a Pine Tree (upon the Top of a Hil) wth O. O.

North & South; but the day ending went not far enough towards Enfeild: & the same day the other part of s^d Comittee viz: Jn^o Pynchon Esq & Nathall Blisse Went to o^r Long Medow Bridge to meet wth Enfeild Men, where we met with y^m, viz: Isaac Morgan, Jonathan Bush, Robert Pease, Benja: Parsons & Samuel Terrey Jun^r. And agreed upon a faire white Oake neer the great River to be marked for Bounds or Line between Springfield & Enfeild, w^{ch} white oake is about forty five Rods or more South from the Long medow Bridge. The white Oake stands on the East side of the Cart way, by the gr^t River upon the Banke or Hil side w^{ch} is on the East of the Cart way or Roade There on the Top of that Hil or Banke. The white oake stands for the Bounds & line as agreed on, w^{ch} we have marked wth S. P. on the North side for Springfield & with E. on the South side for Enfeild: That side next the great River is also marked wth S P on it, & also E. the East side of the Tree wth the Surveio^rs marke O. O. And so going on East, about Thirty Two Rods further, another white oake in the line w^{ch} is a little doted is marked S. P. on the North side & E on the South, & O. O. West & East: about Thirty Rods further East, another white oake in the line is marked S. P. North & E South & O. O. West: Then on East in the line [III—125.] a Black oake is marked O. O. West & East: Then Two or Three Trees marked O. O. West & East, were a little mist by something varying of the line a little to the Northward, which, when discerned, we rectified at a white oake about Ten score Rod or more from the gr^t River, This white Oake in the line is marked S. P. North & E on the South, & O. O. West & East: about sixteen Rod on further East in the line, a small Walnut Tree is marked, S. P. on the North & E. on the South, wth O. O. y^e Surveio^rs West & East: about Thirty Rods on further, a white oake marked O. O. further on a faire Pine Tree in the line is marked O. O. S. P. E. Mile one: Here the mile being out w^{ch} we were to goe, forty Rod below the Long Medow Brooke, we turned forty Rod North, a little varying to the East, To a Pine Tree, w^{ch} not being exact at the Corner, or Just in the Line, we marked only wth an axe wthout any let-

ters; Here we al agreed the mile fro the great River to be, though we found no stone, nor had any Spade to make a Trench: About eight Rod East, a Pine Tree Just in the line we al agreed & marked it S. P. North E. South, O. O. West & East; further on directly East, about Sixty Rods, a Red oake in the line is markt S. P. & E. also O. O. West & East: Then on in the line is another dry Pine marked O. O. West & East: againe a Pine Tree O. O. a black oake O. O. another Black oake O. O. a smal blacke Oake O. O: Then a Pine Tree marked O. O. West & East wth S. P. North & E South, & M. 2. Set upon it; This being Two Miles fro y^e G^t River. From hence going on East, a pine Tree is marked west & East wth O. O. Then a black oake O. O. another black Oake O. O. Another black oake O. O. A Pine Tree O. O. Another Pine O. O. Here is a smal Pond like a paire of Spectacles: on the East side of it in the line, is a Pine Tree O. O. Another Pine O. O. Then Come we to a Red oake, w^{ch} is Three miles from the great River. This Red Oake is marked S. P. on the North, E on the South, & O. O. West & East wth M. 3 for Three miles.—Then on the Brow of a dingle, or Branch of Freshwater brooke is a black oake in the line, upon the Brow over the Brooke, marked O. O. West & East, Then Two or Three white oakes in the line are marked O. O. West & East. here is a medow belonging to Sam Blisse. the Line runs thorow it; Over the medow is a Pine Tree marked O. O. a little further another Pine Tree O. O. Againe a Pine Tree O. O. Another Pine O. O. A swamp black oake O. O., by a swamp edge; And a little further about [] Rod in the Swamp a Walnut Tree is four Miles, & is marked S. P. E. O. O. West & East wth M. 4. A little further East is a red Oake O. O. & not far from it, a gr^t white Oake going out of the swamp O. O. A little further up the Hill, another white Oake O. O. Then Several Trees in the line, Oakes & Pines, marked West & East O. O., to a Pine Tree over a Swamp, & by a spruce Swamp, w^{ch} is five miles, when a Pine Tree is marked S. P. on the North, E. on the South side, O. O. West & East, & for Miles M. 5. Then going on 6 or seven Pine Trees in the Line are marked O. O.

til in halfe a miles going, when we Crossed Whachuet brooke at halfe a Mile from the five Mile Tree; over that brooke (where is some medow) is a Pine Tree wth Crooked forkes marked O. O. Then Several Pine Trees marked O. O. which stand Pretee thick in bushy way, for the other halfe miles, at the End w^rof a Pine is marked, S. P. North, E South, & O. O. West & East wth 6 Miles on it viz: M. 6. Going on, a white oake in the line is marked O. O West & East; & Several Pines in the line are marked O. West & O East, neere halfe a mile to the Crossing Scantuck River; over Scantuck about Twenty Rod, a Red oake marked O West & O. East. Then a smal white oake O. O. West & East. And then Another smal white oake O. O. Then several Pine Trees O. O. to a swamp neer [III—127.] about eight score Rods from Scantuck: Several Pine Trees marked Thorow the swamp, & in the Swamp a Nave wood Tree marked, S P on the North side for Springfeild, E South for Enfeild, & here is Seven Miles. When out of the Swamp onward East, on a knap is a Pine marked in the line O. West & O. East. Then on the East several Trees, Red Oake white oake & Walnut & many Pines chestnut marked O. O. a red oake O. O. & on to a Chestnut Tree, w^{ch} is three Trees in one, or fro one roote, marked al three Chestnut Trees S. P. E. O. West & O. East w^{ch} is eight miles, & M. 8.—Going up the Mountaine on further, a black oake is marked O. O. a little Chestnut Tree, & other Trees onward to a white Oake on the Point of a Hil, where is a great valley & Then on a high hill is on the North: the white oake hath S. P. on y^e North. E. on the South. & is Thirty Lines w^{ch} is six score Rods beyond the Eight Mile Tree: Here Night Comeing on we gave out, & marked on it besides the other markes line, Thirty & so Left worke.

Comittee of Springfeild, Present:

Jn^o Pynchon Esq.
 Saml Marshfeild.
 Rol. Thomas.
 Saml Terrey Sen^r.
 Jn^o Hitchcock.
 Josias Leonard.

Novemb^r: 2: 1685:

John Pynchon Esq & Nathaneel Blisse met with Isaac Morgan Robert Pease Jonathan Bush & Samuel Terrey of Enfeild to finish y^e worke of Running the Line between Springfield & Enfeild w^{ch} was not finished last April.

And beginning at the white oake, where we formerly Left, we measured on, going directly East to a middling chestnut down the hil in y^e bottom, marked with the Surveio's Marks O. West & O East: Going on East is a smal Walnut, O. West & O. East; then a Maple O. O. on further is a forked chestnut, w^{ch} is Nine Mile, & is marked on both forkes O. O. West & East: S. P. on the North side for Springfield & E. on the South side for Enfeild wth M. 9 for Nine Mil: a smal little chestnut also growing out of it: Going on further East, several Trees in the Line are marked, O. West & O East, in dingles hollowes over brookes & mountains, to a black oake, on top of the hil, or further mountain, w^{ch} is Ten Mile. The end of Enfeild line, w^{ch} blaek oake is marked S. P. on the North side, E. on the South side, & O. West & M 10 for Ten Miles. —Here we stayed for o^r Men, that were Sent out East, to run o^r Easternmost bounds, from Stony Brooke South, who came up to us, wth running that Line South, much about where the Ten Miles end, about Thirty Rod further East, & so we went that Thirty Rod, or neer forty Rod further East, & there is marked a smal middling white oake, w^{ch} is o^r corner boundes: This white Oak is marked O. West, & on the North side S. P. for Springfield; being o^r Corner Tree or boundes. This second of November, 1685, the men of Springfield, that Run o^r Easternmost Boundes on the South towards Enfeild where Samll Marshfeild, Rolland Thomas, Henry Chapin, Samll Terrey, Josiah Leonard, who met with us as aforesaid.

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April 14th 1685. The Comittee appointed to meet wth Hadley men for the running of the line between Hadley Town & the Town of Springfield; when went John Pynchon Esq. Samll Marshfeild; Henry Chapin Rolland Thomas, Samll Terry & John Hitchcock, and on meeting wth Hadley men,

we could not agree, but only to measure over y^r first five miles (They not being fully impowered, & we sent Rolland Thomas & Samll Terrey wth them to measure that w^{ch} they did & returned next day: We also appointed a Meeting on the 17th of April, 1685. When Came of Hadley Peter Tilton Esq. Capt Aaron Cooke: m^r Samll Partrigg Ens. Timo: Nash, & Nehemiah Dickinson, & of Springfeild there Came John Pynchon Esq. Samll Marshfeild, David Morgan, Henry Chapin (Samuel Terrey, John Hitchcock & Roland Thomas & Obadiah Cooley, going out Eastward to bring the line to meet) And then we agreed o^r Bounds, about a quarter of a mile, or little more on the Lower side Markham's Buttery, at a black oak standing upon a little round hill, or knap about four or five Rods Eastward of the cart way or Roade, which Tree we marked S. P. on the South side of it for Springfeild, & HD on the North side for Hadley, & O. O. West and East: Here we al agreed to state the line between Springfeild & Hadley. Having stated we Came to the great River, & marked Trees in the line, till we came almost to the great River (Trees being wanting in the line at the River) But about forty or fifty Rod from the River, by a Run of Water, & a narrow boggy meadow on the Brooke, upon a brow or Point of an Hil, a white oake standing in the Line, we marked S. P. on the South side HD North, & O. O. West & East; on Eastward a Walnut tree, O. West & O. East & so on in the line, several Trees were marked O. O. That is O. on the West side & O on the East of them, til we came to the black oake first agreed & stated for the bound Tree between us: This Bound tree, or blacke oake wth S. P. HD being about Three quarters of a mile Eastward from the great River: fro which blacke oake on the knap & the Bounds meete the Cart way, we run on East marking Trees in the Range or Line, Setting O. O. on y^m West & East for four Miles East from the Stated Bound Tree or black oak, by the Road, & from this Tree four miles East, Each miles End is marked. M. 1. & So. M. 2, M. 3, & M. 4, upon the Trees, & S. P, as also HD. Where at the four Miles End, a faire Pine Tree is marked S. P. on the South,

HD on the North, & O. West & O. East also on the East side of it is Set S. P. because Springfeild line is to run further. Also an heape of Stones is at this miles ending. —And Roland Thomas, Samll Terrey Sen^r, Jn^o Hitchcocke & Obadiah Cool-ey who went out Eastward, to take the line fro Chickuppi River & to Carry on North, toward Hadley & the Dividing line between Hadley & Us: They began where we left off the first day, viz: at Chickuppi River, & took the Trees in the line, & marked them. O. South & O North, going Three miles and one halfe directly North, haveing much Swampy Land, reacht not to the Extent of o^r boundes, where they left off: marking a Pine Tree O. South & O. North, w^{ch} is close by or entering upon a Swamp; but the Last Tree marked is upon a little rising ground, & so they returned, Leaving the Rest till hereafter:

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April 23^d, 1685.

We, viz: John Pynchon Esq. Samll Marshfeild Rolland Thomas, & Serjt Samll Terry met wth Northampton Men about running the Liue or Laying out the Bounds betwixt them & us, but then we came not to an Agreem^t & therefore appointing another meeting April 28; 1685, accordingly we did meet, viz: Jn^o Pynchon Esq Samll Marshfeild Rolland Thomas Samll Terry of Springfeild: & of Northampton. Medad Pumrey John King, David Burt Jonathan Hunt, & (after some debates) and agreed they not being willing for the place we were at the first Day, nor that It should be stated as Stoney Brooke, w^{ch} we Insisted on, we y^rfore yielded to y^r Comeing Lower, where at a Pine Tree neer about the upper great Falls we al agreed at y^t Pine Tree, w^{ch} is about forty Rod from the great River, on w^{ch} Pine Tree being fairly marked, We set S. P. on the South side of it, for Springfeild, and NH. for Northampton on the North side of it, & the Surveio^rs marke O. on the West side & O. on the East side of the Tree; w^{ch} A for Accord Tree. And from this Tree East toward the great River, a white oake standing in the line, we marked it wth the Surveio^rs marke, O. West & O East, & so

it Runs to the great River, ag^t a Spruce Tree, Northampton being to have Liberty of a Cart way, or highway thorow o^r Land to the Landing Place below the Falls. [III—130.] Also we agreed, they should have Liberty wth us for fishing at the Lower Falls, & not be excluded or put off from fishing by o^r Right. And upon this we agreed, that from this Pine Tree, called Accord Tree, The line should run between us & Northampton by o^r Compasse as it now Leads us West, wthout allowance. And for the variation at o^r Two miles & one halfe end or three miles end to allow y^m eight score Rods to the South, w^{ch} we are to run wth y^m, where they are to take y^r line to run off West to the end of their Bounds. This p^rmissed & agreed, We running on West by o^r Compasse as aforesd; about fifty Rod West from s^d Stated Pine Tree y^r is a smal Walnut Tree in the Line, w^{ch} we marked wth the surveiors marke, O. East & O. West: Then further West a decayed white Oake in the Line is marked P. O. Then a Red Oake O. O. & a pine O. O. a black Oake O. O. a smal Walnut Tree, O. O. between w^{ch} is one mile; Then another smal Walnut in the line is marked O. O. A Spruce Tree O. O. w^{ch} is upon the Top of the Hil or Mount. A black oake in the Bottom O. O. over the gutter or swamp a white oake O. O. a Pine O. O. Another Pine O. O. a middling crooked Pine O. O. a smal blacke oake marked Miles 2. alsoe SP & NH. Set on it. Then on a white oake O. O. upon the side of the Hil a smal chestnut Tree marked only wth a knife, Bec. the Hatched was Away. Then a Chestnut Tree, by Northampton Cartway, w^{ch} goes up the mountain, a Pine marked only O. on the South side, as being a litle out of the line. a little further a Pine Tree O. O. Further West a Pine O. O. & SP & NH. Further on a Pine Tree on the Point of the Hil marked O. O. East & West, & SP. wth NH. South & North; & so downe to the brooke, where Springeild Two Miles & one halfe now run ends. Here Turning South Eight score Rods for Northampton as was agreed for the variation of the Compasse: We marked Trees In this South line, til we came at y^e halfe miles end to a faire white Oake w^{ch} we

marked, & set NH on the North for Northampton & S. P. South, & so we turned their line West, w^{ch} we Left to y^m to Run: & soe we parted lovingly.

Agreed in Running the line or Setting the Bounds between Springfeild & Northampton, That Springfeild line, w^{ch} is run West, but two miles & a halfe at present from y^e gr^t River, (& then turns to the South halfe a mile, being Judged then to Paralel or meet wth o^r Westfeild bound Tree.) That in case or if it be not there Run far enough west to meet wth or paralel o^r Westfeild line, then we are to Run further West wth Northampton: If Springfeild have already run too far, & beyond their paralel wth Westfeild they are to abate it to a paralel line, from the Bound Tree betweene Springfeild & Westfeild.

The Agreem^t above written with Northampton in Setting the boundes or running y^e line West between y^m & Springfeild on the 28th day of April 1685, being that in Case the Two Miles & halfe then in April Last Run West from the great River were not far enough West to Paralel or Suite wth a Direct South & North Line from the [III—131.] ancient Bound Pine Tree between Springfeild & Westfeild, where an heap of Stones was lai^d by agreement of Springfeild: That then Springfeild line before it turned from North & South, Should Run out further West, so as to Paralel, or run straight with that bound Tree agreed on between them & Westfeild, w^{ch} Springfeild men were to try, & run accordingly.

In order whereunto Springfeild appointed most of those Persons who were of the Comittee, viz: John Pynchon Esq Samll Marshfeild Samll Terry Josias Leonard & Tho: Miller, who attended said worke on the Eleventh day of November 1685; & that they might do it Right went to o^r bounds agreed wth Westfeild, & coming to said Pine Tree & heape of Stones, w^{ch} Pine tree had W. on the West side of it for Westfeild & S. P. for Springfeild, on the East side of it, & we set on it the Surveio^rs marke, O. South & O. North, & so run on directly North further to a Pine Tree in the line, about 40 or 45 Rods. on w^{ch} also we set the Surveio^rs Marke O. O. South

& North, & S. P. on the East side of it. Going on further North we marked a black Oake in the Lyne, O. South & O. North. Then a white oake in the Lyne, O. O. South & North: Then a Pine Tree O. O. on the Ledge or top of the Mountaine or edge of it [III—132.] a little further the Line runs down the mountaine on the West side of it, but because of steepnes there, we were forced to goe further before we Could get downe y^e mountain to the line, where we marked an Ash Tree in a swamp at the foot of the mountain, a little West^rly of the Mountaine, w^{ch} Tree (being about or something above a mile from the first Pine Tree at the heape of stones) we marked O. O. South & North, a little further on North is a Pine Tree marked O. O. South & North, & S. P. on the East side of it; Stil on North we marked Trees in the Lyne, O. O. to a Pine Tree about Two miles, on w^{ch} we set O. O. South & North & S. P. East.—On Directly North we went marking Trees (mostly or al) Pine trees, viz: such as were in the Line or Range to a Pine Tree as we Guesse about Three miles, w^{ch} Tree we marked O. O. South & North, & set S. P. on the East side of it. Then going on stil directly North, we marked Trees in the line, O on the South side & O. on the North side, & on some trees set S. P. on the East side of them. And going over white Loafe brooke, & app^rhending we were Come neere (o^r bounds, y^t is) to the end of o^r bounds; some of us went to the Tree we Left at in the Spring, to direct us, wⁿ we Came to y^e end of o^r bounds, w^{ch} carryed us to crosse Northampton Rhode to Westfeild, & going over that Rhode, we marked a Pine Tree in the Line, O. O. South & North, & set S. P. on the East of it: a little further North is the end of o^r Bounds, where we marked a black oake in the Line wth S. P. on the South side & S. P. on the East side, and set NH for Northampton on the North side of it. This being o^r Corner Tree & about four miles North from Westfeild Bounds. Here we turned o^r Line, & from this black oake Tree, at o^r outmost West corner we went directly East, neer about halfe a mile to the Tree we Left at in the Spring, marking of the Trees in the Line, O. West &

O. East. & set S. P. on the South side of some of y^m. & so having finished o^r worke. came home. November 11th: 1685.

John Pynchon.
 Samuel Marshfeild.
 Samuel Terrey.
 Josias Leonard.
 Thomas Miller.

This being done according to o^r Agreem^t wth Northampton men in the Spring, when we should have run out three miles: But Leaving it to Tryal, & we now haveing done it, we sent them an acco^t of it, as above, under the hands of Three of y^e Comittee.

Recorded this Laying out of the bounds between Springfield & Northampton this 28th of November, 1685.

P John Holyoke, Recorder.

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At a Town Meeting, August 26: 1685.

At this meeting the Worshipll Jn^o Pynchon Esq was made Choice of to be Commission^r for this Towne to joine wth the Select men in the takeing a List of the Townes Estate both Personal & real & to communicate the same wth the Rest of the Comissioners of this Countie for the Like worke at the Shire Meeting, as the Law directs:

And Nathaneel Blisse was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing:

Octo: 21; 1685. At a Town meeting, warned to consider about the purchasing of Edward Stebbins his house for a schoole house &c.

It was voted & agreed that the Select men should treat wth Edward Stebbins & With Samll Bal upon whose Land the said house of Edward Stebbins standeth, for the purchasing of the said house & the Land w^{on} it is, & to know at what termes the said house may be purchased at & to make a report y^of to the Town.

It was further voted & agreed to give widow Barnard her school-masters Rate that is in Constable Obadiah Cooley's hand to gather viz: 5^s 6^d or y^r aboutes & that the Town wil make good so much in said Rate some other way.

November 27: 1685. At a Town Meeting, to consider & issue about the purchasing of the house that Edward Stebbins built upon the ground he had of his Broth^r Samll Ball, w^{ch} house s^d Stebbins sold to s^d Samll Ball.

It was voted & agreed at this meeting to purchase the s^d house Edward built, viz: to purchase it of Samll Ball for a school house, & to be kept for that use, & to give to Samll Bal Twenty & five poundes for s^d house, & for the Land w^{ch} is the p^rsent way into s^d house, as now it is: fifteen poundes of this sum is to be paid to said Bal this year: & the other Ten poundes to be p^d him the next yeer, & the Select men are to issue wth Samll Ball about the p^rmises & to draw up the Deed for the Land & the house:

April 23^d, 1685.

Voted further that the Select men doe let out or hire to Samuel Ball the Townes Land at the Reer of his homelot, he s^d Samuel Ball Engaging to surrender it againe to the Towne for any need they may have of s^d Land, when they shal demand it of him.

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At a General Town Meeting: Febr: 2: 1685.

Att this Meeting the Worshipll Major John Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for al the Town Meetings of this year:

And Japhet Chapin John Hitchcocke Samuel Bal Tho: Stebbins & Jn^o Holyoke were chosen Selectmen for the yeer ensuing to act in Town affaires according to Instruction, p. 5th of this booke.

& Jn^o Hitchcocke & Samuel Ely were chosen a Committee to examine the accounts of the preceding Select men.

Samll Marshfeild & Thomas Stebbins were chosen Measurer for the Townes Lands.

James Warriner was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing.

Jn^o Holyoke was chosen Clerke or Recorder for the year ensuing.

Luke Hitchcocke was chosen Sealer of the Towns Leather.

Nathaneel Pritchard Joseph Stebbins & Edward Foster

were Chosen surveio^rs for the high wayes for the yeer ensuing.

Haywards for the Comon feilds were chosen: viz. Samll Miller for Chickuppi feild west side of the gr^t River: Henry Rogers Jun^o Mirricke & Symon Gowin for the feild over the River ag^t the Town: Sym: Gowin being especially for the South side of Agawam: Thomas Lamb for the Plainfeild: Charles Ferrey Jun^r for the Home lots & Henry Gilbert for Longmedow:

At this Meeting It was voted & concluded that Samll Blisse Jun^r (the Constable for the gathering the Country Rate Anno 1684) should set his hand to the Countrey Treasurers Bil for the money Rate put into his hand to gather & that y^e Town wil save him harmles from the Country Treasurer upon his signing s^d Bill, also that y^e Town wil pay said Money Rate in Corne as they Pay Nath: Bliss, viz: wth Abatem^t of a Third of the Country price, & that such as Pay s^d Rate in Money shal be free from this vote, also that the town wil Transport the Corne for y^e satisfying of this Money Rate to the Bay, & further save the s^d Constable harmles if the s^d Corne doe not satisfy the Treasurers sum, he said Constable being to repay to the Town, y^t is to said Persons as make the Corne Paym^t of y^e money Rate, in case they overdoe the s^d Treasurers sum:

It was further voted & Concluded, bec: the Methode of this meeting is such that Select men are chosen before the Constable be chosen, that therefore or notwithstanding the former Selectmen have ful power to Comit in the Constables hands when he is chosen the Rates of this yeer, even as if stil they were in place.

It was further voted & agreed to encourage the Constables in their service that y^e Heads & Estate of the Constables shalbe free from paying in an ordinary Town Rate.

It was further voted & agreed that Thomas Day should be allowed payment for what Portion of fence he did for the Town & belonged to the Town to doe, in the old Training feild.

It was voted & concluded that noe man should be allowed to entertain any Indian to Improve any Land any manner of wayes wthout the Townes Leave.

At a Town Meeting Aug: 25, 1686

At this Meeting Nathancel Burt was chosen Constable.

At a Genll Town Meeting, Febr: 1, 1686.

Att this Meeting the worshipful maj^r Jn^o Pynchon esq was chosen Moderator for al the Town Meetings of this year.

Deacon Jonathan Burt & Deac: Benj: Parsons Henry Chapin Jn^o Dumbleton & Luke Hitchcocke were chosen Select men for the yeer ensuing to act in Town affaires according to Instructions p. 5th of this booke.

Samll Marshfeild & Jonathan Burt. are chosen the Committee to examine the Accounts of the Select men Last in place & newly gone out.

John Holyoke is chosen Record^r or the Town Clerke.

James Dorchester is chosen Constable & tooke the oath of the office.

Samuel Marshfeild & Thomas Stebbins are chosen Measurers for the Townes lands granted & to be granted.

Samll Ely & Thomas Lamb are chosen surveiors for the high wayes of the Country & County on the East side the great River, & Edward Foster for the s^d high ways on the West side the great River.

The Haywards to the comon feild are chosen. viz: Symon Gowin for the Genll feild West side of the gr^t River, that part of it South of Agawam & Henry Rogers for the North side of Agawam River, & Samll Jones for Chickuppi feild, & Thomas Day Jun^r for the Plaine feild, & Charles Ferrey Junio^r for the Homelots, & Henry Gilbert for Long medow.

Thomas Day Sen^r was chosen Sealer for the Towns Leather:

Benjamin Knowlton propounding to cleare the Causey in the middle of the Town towards the Bay of water w^{ch} usually flowes it & annoyes it, this next yeer. In case Jn^o Mirricke wth himselfe be freed from the surveiors calling them to Country high wayes; It was voted that Benj: Knowlton & John

Mirricke should be freed from high way worke this yeer Comeing & so they are to secure that Causey from al annoyances.

It was also voted to admit Thomas Dewey Sen^r of Westfeild as an Inhabitant in this Towne; as also to give him an equal Interest wth o^r owne inhabitants in the Townes Lands to be Layed out in proprieties on the South side of Agawam River: as also that his Interest be Layed out Southward of Agawam & under the mountaine toward Westfeild, provided he wthin four yeeres do build an house of twenty six foot Long, & a barne thirty foot Long.

It was further Voted & agreed that Henry Chapin Rolland Thomas Charles Ferrey & Obadiah Cooley shal have the Liberty & Priviledge of Chickuppi River as far as Schonunganuck fall or Bar for making & erecting of Wares for catching of Fish, they supplying such of the Towne wth Fish as desire it on reasonable Terms: This Priviledge & Liberty is granted to them, & to such as they shal take in wth them, for five yeers wth out Molestation from others. And at the five yeers End, if they desire a further Grant, it is to be continued to them upon meet allowance before any others: And the Spring & Sumner Comeing, they are to enter upon & goe on wth this designe, as the season wil allow, or otherwise This Grant to y^m is void. And for other Rivers or Places [III—136.] for fishing wthin this Township, It is Left to the Select men to grant special Liberty & Priviledge to such of the Inhabitants, as may appear attend to worke of Fishing, according as the Select men shall see meet.

Further it was voted & agreed that the running or carrying on of the Line for the bounds of this Town on the East side the great River from Hadley bounds to Enfeild in order to find the Quantity of Land or Number of Acres in that four miles on o^r most Easterlie Land, that is to be Laid out or divided in Three Divisions be done at the Towns Charges: And that y^e carrying on of the Line on the West side y^e great River for the finding the Number of acres of Land both in that toward Northampton above Chickuppi feild, & that Tract

below Agawam toward Suffield be al done at the charges of this Town.

It was further voted that Samuel Marshfeild Henry Chapin Jonathan Morgan & David Morgan should carry on the line from Hadley bounds Eastward, to the end of o^r most outmost East bounds & to measure it, for the knowing of the number of Acres as aforesd: And on the same Day Rolland Thomas John Hitchcock, Abel Wright Sen^r Samll Terrey & Obadiah Cooley doe carry on the line from the Northside of Chickuppi River at o^r most Easterly bounds, til they doe meet wth y^e above mentioned men (that carry on the East line) at the North East Corner of o^r Town who are also to measure it exactly as they goe, & stake out the above s^d four Miles on that side or Corner towards o^r Towne: & further it was voted that Samll Marshfeild Rolland Thomas James Warri-ner Benjamin Knowlton Samll Jones should carry on the Line toward Enfeild & to measure it from the Place where they left viz: about Three miles & an halfe below or Southward of Chickuppi River.

It was further voted that Samll Marshfeild Samll Ely Sen^r Joseph Bedortha & Henry Rogers should measure the line from Northampton bounds on the west side y^e gr^t River Southward to the Southerly part of that Land that is to be Laid out in propriety, viz: In^o Rileys Brooke, to know the length thereof, for such laying out thereof in Propriety:—& further It was voted to measure from the head of the brooke beyond Thomas Coopers to Suffield bounds, & thence they are to turn West to Westfeild Line or bounds, And Samll Marshfeild Samll Ely Sen^r Thomas Cooper & Joseph Leonard to performe this measure, & al these measurings to be performed at the furtherest by the beginning of April ensuing: Samll Marshfeild to appoint the tyme to attend at the afores^d measurings: & the Select men are to determine their satisfactions respectively for al their paines & travell:

It was further voted that the Town do allow 8^s for killing of a wolfe & 4^s for a grown beare & 2^s for a Cub, from the 10th

of May to the 10th of Septemb^r, the persons killing the wolfe beare or cub to bring to the constable or one of the Select men the ears of said wolfe or beare or cub.

Town meeting: July 27: 1687.

Samll Marshfeild was chosen Comissioner to join wth the Select men for the making a list of the Townes estate & to communicate the same to the Comissioners at the shire meeting, according to y^e ord^r of Council.

Edward Stebbins was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing

At the Genll Town Meetings Febr: 7: 1687.

At this meeting were chosen the following Town officers for the yeer ensuing:

The Worshpll Colonel John Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for al the Town meetings of this yeer:

Samuel Marshfeild & John Holyoke p^resented to the Town at this meeting:

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Samuel Marshfeild Japhet Chapin John Hitchcocke Samuel Ball and Jn^o Holyoke were made choice of as Select men to order the prudential affaires of the Town the following yeer: according to Instructions, pa. 5th.

John Holyoke was chosen Clerk for the Town for y^e yeer ensuing.

Eliakim Cooley was chosen Constable for y^e yeer ensuing & was Sworne.

Samuel Marshfeild & Thomas Stebbins were chosen Measurers of Lands for the Town the yeer ensuing.

Rolland Thomas & Tho: Day Sen^r were chosen surveiors for the Country high wayes on the East side the great River & Josiah Leonard was chosen Surveio^r for y^e country high wayes on the West side of the gr^t River:

The Select men haveing raised money to pay for diverse Wolves killed by sundry Persons after the Act of the Council May 11th 1687, as also money for the Guard, as appears by their account of charges in the Select mens booke; after much debate, It was Voted & agreed that the money raised for Sun-

dry Persons Sitting in the Guard, should not be paid to s^d Persons but to be kept as the Townes Stocke. And it was further voted & agreed that the money that was raised to pay Sundry Persons for killing Wolves after s^d Act of the Council should be paid to said Persons, w^{ch} are in number five.

It was further voted & agreed that the order for allowance of 8^s for the killing of a Wolfe should be repealed, so that henceforth the Select men are not by that order of the Town to raise any money for to allow any for any wolves that are or shal be killed.

The Haywards chosen for the Genll feilds, are, for the Long medow Jonathan Burt Jun^r, for the homelots Benja: Knowlton, for the Plaine James Warriner Jun^r, for the feild over the River Jonathan Bal for the North side of Agawam, & John Barber Jun^r for the South side of Agawam, & for Chickuppi feild James Barker.

For the Encouragm^t of Sundry Persons to destroy Beares w^{ch} are so p^rjudicial to cattle especially Swine, It was voted & ordered, that if any person (who doth pay Scot & Lot to al publicke Town charges here) shal at any tyme this next yeere from the middle of April to the middle of August kil any Beare wthin the Bounds of this Town, such Persons upon due prooffe thereof to the satisfaction of the Select men shal be allowed & paid four shillings for every grown beare, & for every young Beare or Cub halfe so much, out of the Town Rates the next winter, and the order made the last yeare about Beares is hereby repealed:

It was voted & ordered that the Select men do yeerly agree wth some meet Person to doe the Sextions worke, & also that the Select men doe agree wth y^e same person, or any other meet Person to ring the Bel at nine of the Clocke at nights, that they thus agree at as good termes for the Town as they can.

It was also voted that the Deacons doe any thing that is meet, that the ministers Cushion may be made fit for the use it doth serve unto.

It was further voted that the Select men do receive the Re-

mainder of the forty pound rate that was raised for the finishing of the Meeting house, & that they take care that the s^d worke be done as speedily as may be, & the comittee for the meeting house upon the delivery up of their accounts are discharged of that trust. [III—138.]

Thomas Mirricke Sen^r motioning it to the Town to settle the high way over the middle Causey The Town did now order that the Select men veiw the place, & that they se to it that the highway there have its due breadth, & that they consider who hath encroached upon the high way there, viz: whether said Thomas Mirricke or Thomas Day on the other side, & that they determine & settle the whole matter al-out s^d high way.

And whereas there is about seven shillings due Samuel Terrey upon y^e account of his keeping Jn^o Matthews his child. It was voted that the Select men pay him seven shillings out of the Townes Stocke.

At this Meeting John Clemens was voted an Inhabitant in this Towne.

Voted further That henceforth the Town Rates shalbe raised according to y^e publicke Act of the Governor & Council, & by the List for the Countrey Rate onely the Select men shal have Liberty to abate upon that value of the Poles & to consider to raise something upon the unimproved Lands, as the Select men shal from time to time se meet to value.

It being also propounded to do somewhat to have schooling goe forward or to get a Schoolmaster, It was agreed & ordered that the Select men doe take care to promote that affair to the best advantage for the Town, agreing wth a Schoolmaster at the best termes they can.

Upon the motion of o^r Neighbors of Westfeild signifying their want of such certaine knowledge of the extent of their bounds betwixt themselves & the Town of Suffield, as to satisfy their Neighbors of Suffield whereby some occasion of differences hath been between those two Townes, w^{ch} they hope may be Composed by some from this Town of Springfield, who first Layd out & settled the bounds of Westfeild and may

by help of those persons now againe agree & settle the same. wherefore It was agreed that the said Persons, to wit Quarterm^r Colton Samll Marshfeild & Rolland Thomas or any two of them to be assisting to o^r Neighbo^r Towns concerning the Same in what they know, for the obtaining a Loving agreement & quick settling the Bounds between said Towns: so that Westfeild Town who moved us herein doe satisfy those o^r Neighbors for their attendance on said worke: And when they are doing this, we also desire that soe far as it falls in their way, that the line between us & said Two Towns may be observed & the markes renewed.

There being some difference between Nath Pritchard & John Harmon concerning their interests in their medows upon Pacowseeke Brooke, & Nath Pritchard Petitioning the Town to doe something to compose y^r difference, It was voted that Rolland Thomas John Bliss & Thomas Stebbins be a Committee to veiw the Lands in Controversy between y^m, & to measure the Lands & to divide them their portion, according to the Intents of the Towns grants to y^m, & that they make report of their acts hereing to y^e Town.

Henry Rogers did motion to the Town to have satisfaction for the Two Rods of the high way, that was taken out of his father Excels Homelot, to enlarge s^d high way. Another was made by some that the Town had an high way originally laid out for the Town of Two Rods breadth, or so much reserved for them thorow these lots, w^{ch} was counted sufficient for a Country Rhode, & that when this high way was laid out by the Committee appointed by the County Corte in Hampshire, The Neighbo^rs that live by said high way did desire the s^d Committee to lay their way four Rods wide for their conveniency, & accordingly s^d Committee did Laid out four Rods wide, & p^rsented y^r act to the County Corte in Hampshire, who appointed them to receive satisfaction for their Land so Laid out to the Reserved high way, as they desired satisfaction for the same, in such Lands as the Towne had power to dispose of.

Att this Meeting the Towne did make choice of Rolland

Thomas to se to the upper Causey, & that he call the Neighbors in the Town that principally Improved said way, & Skipmuck Neighbors to the attendance of said worke:

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At a Town meeting May 21, 1688, being the third Munday of said month according to the Act of the Governor & Council for the Regulating the choice of Select men constables & other officers in the Respective Towns wthin this Dominion.

Imp^r: It was voted & concluded to have Six Select men Townesmen or Overseers.

It was further voted to chuse the halfe of the afores^d Number of Select men out of the company of the Select men that were chosen Select men at the Genll Town Meeting, the february foregoing: viz: febr: 7th: 1687.

Japhet Chapin John Hitchcocke Samll Ball & Leuit Tho: Colton James Warriner & Thomas Stebbins were chosen Selectmen, to order & manage the Prudentiall affaires of the Town according to the afores^d Act of the Governor & Council, & according to the Instructions in the 5th page of this booke; & for al other affaires of the yeer they have the care thereof Left to them by the Towne, & what Rates they wish upon the Inhabitants for any thing not mentioned in the Act, & they have it allowed by the Justices, they shal give a Just & faire account thereof yeerly at the Town meeting in May, & they are in al they doe attend what is or shalbe in the publike Acts of this Dominion, & It is further voted & ord^ded that al after Select men from yeer to yeer have the same charge & care attended & p^rformed by them:

Deacon Jonathan Burt was chosen Comission^r to joyne wth the Select Men in taking a list of the Town Estate for the making the COUNTRY Rate.

Thomas Miller was chosen Constable Instead of Edward Stebbins & John Burt was also chosen Constable: who are according to the Act of the Governor & Council to attend at the Sessions to take their oath for the discharge of y^t office:

It was further voted that al other officers chosen by the Towne the Last february, attend the duties & Charge belonging to them til the May ensuing.

Samuel frost was by the vote of the Towne accepted & admitted as an Inhabitant of this Towne.

Skipmuck Inhabitants being p^resented to the Town, as being behind hand Nine Days worke at the high Wayes to the Country, & they alledging that they were not warned to attend that worke by the Surveio^rs of the high wayes & so that it wil be greatly burdensome to y^m to be now called to serve al those dayes & desiring the Town to consider them & ease them: the Town did consider them, & Provided they attend duely three dayes at the high wayes belonging to the Town Platt when they shalbe called thereunto, the Town is then willing that they worke the other days at the high wayes belonging to or most made use of by the said Inhabitants of Skipmuck.

also the Inhabitants of the Long medow being complained of as behind in y^e amendments of high wayes, some more dayes & some fewer dayes, & the pleading they were not warned to attend, the Town declared & voted themselves to forgive them halfe of the tyme y^t they should have attended at the high wayes, provided they do faithfully fulfil the other halfe when called thereto by the surveio^rs.

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At the Genll Town Meeting, May 21: 1689.

The Worshipll John Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for the meeting & al the Towne Meetings of this year.

John Hitchcocke & Jonathan Burt Sen^r were chosen the Comittee to Examine the Accounts of the Select men of the Last year:

It was voted at this meeting for the tyme to come there shalbe but five Select men.

It was also voted that henceforth the first munday in May shalbe the day for the Genll Town Meeting for making of Town Officers & to be attended without any further warning.

John Dumbleton Deacon Burt & Deacon Parsons Henry Chapin & Abel Wright were chosen Select men to act in Town affaires according to Instructions in page 5th of this booke for this year: & as formerly they were wont to act for the Town in al Townes busines:

John Holyoke is chosen clerk for the Town for this year:
 Rolland Thomas is chosen Sealer for weights & measurers.
 Thomas Stebbins is chosen measurer for Lands.

Obadiah Cooley & Joseph Stebbins are chosen surveio^rs for the Country high wayes on the East side of the River, & Jonathan Bal for the Country high wayes on the West side the River, who are to se to it to Rectify al Ineroachments upon the high wayes, & the Town doth comitt the Rectifying of y^e high wayes Eaten away by the great River to the Select men to gather wth the surveio^rs.

Joseph Bedortha chosen to succeed as constable in Tho: Miller his roome

John Burt to continue Constable til August or another be chosen in his Roome.

Haywards were chosen viz: Samll Bl^{iss} 3^d for the home-lots Rich^d Waite for the Plaine feild, Henry Rogers for the feild over the River on the North side of Agawam, & Symon Gowin for the South side the Agawam, & James Barker for Chickuppi feild on the West side the River.

Rolland Thomas & Abel Wright were chosen to be a Committee to veiw & Lay out the high wayes at Skipmuck, so as may be most Convenient for buildings there.

It was voted to allow of al officers chosen by the Last Select men for the p^rsent yeer & What further was acted by y^m for the Towne: Also it was voted & agreed to establish al former orders passed & entered in the booke, altering nothing nules what is done at this meeting, respecting the day of the General Town Meeting as above is mentioned:

August 21: 1689.

Thomas Stebbins was chosen Comissioner to Joine wth the Selectmen in taking the List of the Rates & Estates of the Town for the Country Rate, & to communicate the same wth the Rest of y^e Comissioner^s of Hampshire.

Samll Blisse the 3^d was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing. [111—141.]

At a Town Meeting January 12: 1689:

At this Meeting the Towne did vote & conclude that the

Towne Rates should not be raised by the Towns List for the Country Rate, but that we apply our selves to the first Custome of the Town for the making the said Towns Rates.

Whereas the Town borrowed eighteen shillings in Cash of divers Persons in the Town to enable Henry Chapin their Deputy at the publick assembly at Boston to beare his charges there, & y^e said deputy desireing that the said Eighteen shillings should be accounted to him no more then Eighteen shillings of the four pounds the Town have always allowed their Deputies or Representatives at said Publick Assemblies, The Town did now Vote to grant their said deputy or Representative his desire.

At a Genll Town Meeting May 5th 1690.

The Worshipll John Pynchon Esq was Chosen Moderator for this meeting, & al the Town Meetings of this year.

It was voted & Concluded that the Second Munday in May be the day for the Genll Town Meeting, for the choice of Town Officers, & that It be attended wthout any further warning.

Pelat: Glover Jun^r & Samll Marshfeild were chosen a Committee for examination of the Accounts of the Select Men of the Last year:

Japhet Chapin John Hitchcocke James Warriner Thomas Stebbins & John Holyoke are chosen Select men, to act in Town affaires according to Instructions, p. 5th of this booke for the year.

John Holyoke is Chosen Clerke for the Town for the year.

Jonathan Ball is chosen Constable for the year.

Thomas Stebbins is chosen measurer for Lands.

Edward Foster Samuel Parsons & Thomas Lamb are chosen surveiors for the Country high wayes, & to see that they rectify al the encroachm^{ts} upon the high wayes.

Haywards were chosen also for the several feilds: viz: for the homelots Thomas Blisse: for the Plaine feild Tho: Day Junior: for the General feild over the River Nathn^l Dumbleton & James Stevenson; for Chickuppi feild Sam^l Bedortha; for the Long medow Sam^l Bliss Jun^r.

Further, It was voted & agreed that the Select men doe Use their diligent care to provide a Schoolmaster to teach the youth & children to read & write, & that they shall have full power to Agree wth any meet Person for that worke, & to Indent wth him though they give or engage more then Twenty poundes, or the Sum w^rwth the Town hath sometimes stinted the Select men for their making of any Bargaines with out consulting the Towne:

At a Town meeting, May 26: 1690.

Whereas this Town have paid to the Consta'les their money Rate in Corne at the Countrys money price, & have also made an Addition to enable the Constables to pay the freight of the Corne from this Town to Boston, at this meeting it was voted [III—142.] & concluded that the s^d Constables should reserve in their hands the said Addition for freight w^{ch} they have received, the Town now engaging to save them harmles from any Warrant from the Country Treasurer respecting the said Rate & their not paying for the Transporting thereof to Boston; & further that Samll Marshfeild with the Select men lay our Case wth due & meet argum^{ts} before the Court at Boston by Impowering some meet Person for that End: And further that o^r Inability for paym^t of y^e Ten Rates be rep^rsented to the Court, & that o^r want of Corn to live on be urged for some abatem^t and that what we must pay may be accepted in cattle, or may be forborne til we are able.

Jonathan Bal did desire that the Town would discharge him of his office of Constable. This was not accepted herein: But said Jonathan Bal bringing in Josias Marshfeild as willing to take that Trust in his stead he haveing Agreed wth s^d Jo: Marshfeild to doe soe, the Town did yeild to him therein.

Thomas Dyet was voted an Inhabitant of this Towne.

Aug: 20: 1690. At a Town Meeting:

Cap^t Thomas Colton was chosen Comissioner to join wth the Select men to take the List of the Ratable Estate of the Town for the Country Rates, & to Communicate the same wth the Rest of Hampshire Comissioner^s, as the Law Directs.

David Morgan was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing,

Sept: 12: 1690: At a Town Meeting:

Capt Colton being visited by the hand of God, in the death of his wife, the Town thought meet to dismiss him of his serving as a Comissioner, in joining wth the Select men in taking the list for the Country Rate, & chose Samll Marshfeild to the Service.

Also It was voted & agreed that Samll Marshfeild do join wth y^e rest of the Comisioners of the County on the 17th Day of this Instant at N Hampton, to choose from among y^m at Least Two of them to go to the Bay, to lay before the Corte or Council o^r Inability to pay any money Rates & to obtain for this County to pay o^r money Rates in some other Specie, also that the Town wil wth other Towns of this County bear y^r part of the charges to satisfiy such comissioners as shal go to the Bay to manage this affair afores^d.

It was also voted & agreed to save the Constables harmless, from the Treasurer, for their delaying to Colect the Rates yet unpaid til the Comisioners Return from the Corte, or Council in the Bay.

At a Town meeting febr. 23: 1690.

At this Meeting The Town did vote they would pay their money Rate In adding a third more than the Country price is, viz: for 2^s paying 3^s & they do Engage to save the Constables Samuel Blisse one third harmles fro any Warrant fro the Treasurer, for his thus Taking Corne instead of money, y^t is those persons that dont pay money thus engage, Such as pay money being cleare fro this engagem^t.

Also it was voted & agreed that the order to allow for the killing of Beares be repealed, vide Meeting Feb. 1, 1686.

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At a Genll Town Meeting May 11: 1691 for the Election of Town officers for the yeer ensuing.

The Worshipful major John Pynchon was chosen Moderator for this Meeting & for al the Meetings of the ensuing Yeer.

m^r Pelatiah Glover Jun^r & Samll Marshfeild were chosen the Comittee to examine the Accounts of the Select men that go out at this Meeting.

Deacon Jonathan Burt Henry Chapin John Dumbleton Isaac Colton and John Holyoke were chosen Select men for the yeer ensuing, who are to Act according to Instructions In the fifth page of this booke.

John Holyoke was chosen Clerke for the Town for the yeer ensuing.

Samuel Marshfeild & Thomas Stebbins were chosen Measurers for the Lands for the yeer ensuing.

Benjamin Stebbins was chosen constable for the Town for this yeer.

Samll Blisse Sen^r Edward Stebbins & James Barker were chosen Surveyors for the Country high wayes, who are also to see that they rectify al encroachments upon the s^d wayes.

Haywards to the Genll feilds were chosen viz: Thomas mirricke for the homelots, Joseph Stebbins Sen^r for the plain, & Henry Roberts for y^e part of the feild on the west side of Agawam & Samll Cooper for y^e part of the feild on the South side of Agawam &, Samll Miller for Chickuppi feild, & Joseph Cooley, & the yards of Said Haywards are allowed of to be pounds in their p^rcinets excepting, that of Henry Rogers, who hath a Town pound convenient for his impounding, & the s^d Haywards especially are to give spedie notice to the owners of the cattle they shall impound in y^r yards.

It was voted & agreed that the Select men be fully impow-ered to indent with any meet person to keep the dry & young cattle out the walke of the Cowes towards or beyond Machonis Mountaines, to wit, to agree any such Person what Each Owner of such cattle shal pay P head of s^d cattle.

It was further voted & concluded that the Town Measurer do joyne wth Leicut. Wright to Lay out Skipmuck highwayes.

At a Town Meeting Aug: 12: 1691.

The Worshippl Colnll Jn^o Pynchon Esq was chosen Comissioner to join wth the Select men to make the List of the Ratable Estate of y^e Town for y^e Country rate; & to communicate the same to the rest of Hampshire Comissioners as y^e Law directs.

John Dorchester was chosen for y^e yeer & sworne.

The Court order & y^e Treasurer warrant being publicly read at the Meeting & discoursed upon, viz: the warrant for the Raising the Townes proportion to the money Rate: The Town did declare it, y^t they did understand that the Select men should Assese the Rateable Inhabitants their proportions to the £24,000 upon the Estates & Persons by the valuation taken the Last yeer & they concluded the Select men should so assese their Inhabitants.

It was granted to Samll Bliss Sen^r to have Liberty to set up a Mault house upon or joining to the brooke by y^e Street, provided it be the Towns to give, & Infring not the high way, & this to be as any Three of y^e Select men determine.

It was further voted to Leave it wth the Select men to take any good opportunity to procure a good Smith for the Towne.

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At a Town Meeting Sept: 21: 1691.

Whereas the Indian Corne doth not Ripen this yeer as formerly, It was therefore voted that for the p^rsent yeer the General feilds fences of the Town should be kept up intire for the keeping of the said feilds til the Tenth Day of October Next, & that No Person have any Liberty to put in any Cattle but according to former Town orders.

Ebenezer Nutting is admitted to be an Inhabitant in the Town: And whereas he desires the Town would accommodate him with some Land to build on & for a smal Pasture; & what Land that Nathanyl Sikes once bargained for wth Colonn Pynchon being mentioned by some as that might be had for his purpose, if it could be purchased & The Colonn Pynchon himself saying that he abate 20^s of the price to s^d Nath: Sikes, & diverse p^rsons expressing y^mselves to allow some thing to y^e purchasing some Land; The whole matter was by the Town Left wth John Dorchester to effect the procuring of that Land or any other Land for s^d Ebenezer Nuttings Settlement yet so as that s^d Eben: Nutting continue five yeers in the Town before he have Legal power & Right to sell s^d Land.

My 3: 1692: At a Town Meeting:

Whereas there was a vote that the Select men should make the Rate containing the Townes proportion of the Twenty four thousand pounds in money pay, according to the List taken in August 1690: The Town do now vote that they shal goe according to the directions & order of the County Court: March: 1691

May 9th: 1692. At a General Town Meeting.

The Worshipful Major John Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for this meeting & al other Meetings of this year.

Voted That the former Select men finish the List as was concluded the Last Town Meeting, & deliver it to the Constable to gather according to the Assessments thereby set, & this to be in Leiu of that formerly delivered to the Constable.

Luke Hitchcocke & Tho Stebbins were chosen the Committee to examine the p^rsent Select mens accounts.

Japhet Chapin Capt. Tho: Colton Samll Bliss Sen^r Tho: Stebbins & John Barber were chosen Select men for the Yeer ensuing.

John Holyoke was chosen Town Clerke for this year.

Danll Cooley was chosen Constable & Sworn.

Tho: Stebbins was chosen Measurer for the Town Lands.

James Warriner Sen^r & John Burt & Joseph Leonard were chosen Surveio^rs for the Country high wayes.

It was voted that the Select men now chosen wth the Deacon speedily take care for Seating of persons in the meeting house: & for the p^rsent at their desire Major Pynchon & Quartrm^r Colton are to advise y^m & Assist y^m y^{rin}.

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It was further voted that Major John Pynchon Esq & Deacon Burt with those Two Select men now chosen, w^{ch} Live in the Town Plat & any other of the Select men that can be had doe, as occasion may be, agree wth m^r Haines, or any other minister, for a Supply for carrying on the Sabbath a while; halfe a yeer, or a quarter of a yeer; or til we can have advice fro the Elders In the Bay, & to follow or attend such advice according as they Judge best for the Town, or acquaint the Select men to cal a Town meeting as they se cause.

It was further voted & agreed that al Children fro five yeers old to Ten yeeres old Compleate shal be by their Parents Sent to Schoole, & if not their Parents shal Pay or be Rated for al such Children to the Schoolmaster, as if such children were Sent by y^r Parents or masters.—This to be understood of such as Live in the Town Plat fro the Mill on the South, Up to Nathaneel Muns house, or thereabouts.

At A Towne Meeting: July 18: 1692:

The Towne or ffreeholders made choice of the Worshipll John Pynchon Esq to be commissioner to joine wth y^e Select men in making a List for the Province Rate, & to communicate the same according to act &c.

m^r Pelatiah Glover was chosen Constable for this yeer.

At a Town Meeting Aug: 11: 1692.

Jn^o Warner was chosen Constable for the yeer ensuing, Instead of m^r Pel: Glover:

At this meeting the Towne being assembled by warning of the Select men in order to the discoursing & agreeing wth m^r Glover about that house & Land w^{ch} y^e Town granted his father, w^{ch} belongs to the ministry, That m^r Glover might have satisfaction for the same, & the s^d housing & Land return to the Towne for the ministry, w^{ch} meeting was generally attended by the Inhabitants; where the Select men gave acco^t that m^r Glovers answer to them (upon y^r treating wth him) was, that he expected the ful value of al in money, if the Town would have the houseing & Land againe: upon which m^r Glover being called, & told that he mentioned no sum, we had bid him an hundred pounds, but he had askt no sum, we desired therefore, that he would propose a sum, & make his demands how much would satisfy him in Pay as the Town raised, & Could make. He wthdrawing after some time came againe, & mentioned seven hundred & forty pound in Pay, w^{ch} being far beyond what we thought he intended: It was Judged meet that Two or Three men should be appointed to discourse wth him, w^{ch} he also desired, that he might rather discourse wth three men, yⁿ wth the whole assembly together, accordingly Deacon Burt Charles Ferry

Sen^r & Tho: Stebbins, were named & appointed, who withdrawing wth m^r Glover, came to a more moderate sum & proposals: In the tyme of whose absence from the Meeting, The Town among y^mselves Considered what to doe in order to a fair Issue & agre^{mt}, & first agreed & determined, that if m^r Glover Insist upon Land, that they would part wth Chickuppi Land to him for the end afores^d, & past a vote accordingly, then m^r Glover wth the Three mentioned men as afores^d returned to the meeting, wth this acco^t, that he expected Land, w^rupon the Town past an unanimous vote In the words following. The Towne being really desirous of a Loving Issue of al matters about the house & Land w^{ch} belongs to the ministry, w^{ch} was given the Rev^d m^r Glover deceased, considering the Intangle m^{ts} on both Partys thereaboutes [III—146.] We doe Agree & propose to m^r Glover That (upon his free surrender & yeilding up the same to the Town, according to the original statem^t to & for the ministry) we wil give him the s^d M^r Glover an hundred pounds to be paid him in Corn & Porke sometime this Winter, & the next Spring Come Twelve months, & wil also give him such Land as hereafter mentioned, viz the seven acres more or Lesse of the Town meadow ag^t the Street, & also the forty acres of Town Land in Chickuppi feild; Concerning w^{ch} Land in Chickuppi feild some Question being stated whether y^e Town can give it, w^{ch} most app^hend a needless Question, yet however in case it prove doubtful to him, or any hazzard be of his good Tittle to it, we wil make it Good to the sum of an hundred & fifty pounds in pay, w^{ch} we wil pay him in Leiu of it, in case the Town do not assure it to him, & wⁿ he shal be disturbed in the enjoym^t of s^d Land: al w^{ch} was past by such an unanimous vote, as that no man disented, it being tryed by desiring any that dissented to Speake or to hold up their hands, & none appeared; upon w^{ch} M^r Pelat: Glover who was Called, & to whom the vote (w^{ch} was writt) was distinctly read, & he delivered his acceptance of it, only he thought, that the clause if he was disturbed in enjoym^t of s^d Land, the Town would pay him one hundred & fifty pound for it, was needless yet the vote was as afores^d;

after w^{ch} m^r Glover declared again himself fully satisfied & said since the Town had offered as they did, he did accept it in lieu of that given to his father, & would have writings drawn to Issue the busines with out delay, on the Morrow, & Should stay at home to attend it, to give the Town possession of that for the ministry, upon y^r giving him possession of Chickuppi Land & the medow; Whereupon the Town appointed Major Jn^o Pynchon Deacon Burt & Leiut Hitchcocke in their behalfe & in y^r Names to attend s^d Worke & to give him possession accordingly & sign firme Writings for Chickuppi Land & y^e Medow, & take like from him for securing the Land to the ministry, & the Towne promise him Liberty to Live in the house this Winter if he please: & they did give account thereof at the following meeting.

Note on margin.—Att a following meeting the Select men were substituted in y^e stead of the s^d Three men.

Sept: 12: 1692: At a Town Meeting.

It was voted that Major John Pynchon Quarte^rm^r George Colton & Deacon Burt should in behalfe of the Town renew o^r Invitation to m^r John Haynes for his Continuance & Settlement with us, or that any Two of them do it; & they do treat him further from tyme to tyme til the affaire be brought to a conclusion:

At this Meeting The Town did again discourse Mr. Pel: Glover on y^e same account as they did discourse him at the former meeting & did desire him to give his serious answer that we may make an Issue of y^e matter between us, & come to enjoy the ministry Land according to y^e first stating of it, & that the Town may know what to give him by way of Compensation, & his answer was that he was not willing to say further without further hearing fro his Overseers, & added that he would give an answer wthin fourteen dayes:

It was further voted since the proposals were not accepted w^{ch} the Town made to m^r Glover to bring the business to an Issue, that the ministry Land might Returne to its proper use & that m^r Glover might have meet recompense) that the Select men prosecute the affaire of settling [III—147.] the

Land that the Town or Church hath so unavoidably devoted for the service of the Church or its Ministry, and this at the next Court Come fortnight & so fro Corte til the Cause is ended.

Information being given to the Town concerning the suffering Condition of Peter Swinke, it was Comended to the discretion & charity of the Select men to doe for him as becomes the Town to do for the own proper poor.

At a Town Meeting Sept: 16: 1692 called by the Select men to consider what to do to satisfy m^r Glover, for the house & Land w^{ch} the Town first sequestered for y^e Ministry & to p^rvent going to the County Corte:

It was voted & concluded that m^r Glover & the Town shal put the whole matter to Arbitration, to be determined by three men on both sides, chosen by both Partyes for y^r own sides, what the Town shal allow m^r Glover as a Meet Recompence for the Ministry Land, w^{ch} the Town do require to be set accordingly to the first appropriation & use: & s^d m^r Glover & the select men In the behalfe of the Town did severally bind themselves in the bond of 500 pounds to stand by the determination of those six men: & John Pynchon Esq Deacon Burt & Lejut. Wright are made choice of, to declare in the behalfe of the Town before the Arbitrators what may be convenient & necessary for their informations.

Novemb^r 10th, 1692 at a Legal Town Meeting.

At this meeting the Town did by vote declare that they accept & close wth Honoured Arbitrators Determination of the Case between the Town of Springfield & m^r Glover about the housing & Land for the Ministry, & that they wil adresse themselves to pay according to the s^d Determination viz: the Three hundred & fifty pounds.

Further they did vote that the Worshippl Colonll Jn^o Pynchon Jonathan Burt Sen^r & John Holyoke should express to s^d Arbitrators thanks for & in behalfe of the Towne for their Love & Paines in giving us their sense & determination, & they also should in behalfe of the Town desire y^e s^d Arbitrators to give their Explanation wth reference to that Terme

housing or house, y^t is whether or noe al the housing is not intended, or whether any housing is excepted.

It was further voted that the Select men should make a rate at once for y^e paym^t of the s^e Three hundred & fifty pounds.

There having been difficulty for the Constable Benjamin Stebbins to have gathered the Towns Proportion of the rate of £24,000 money, his tyme being expired, as he says, before the s^d Proportion was delivered to him: Therefore that y^e same may be gathered as soone as may be & paid to the Treasurer for the Province, the Town have made choice of the said Benja: Stebbins, & Nathanll Blisse to be Collectors to gather in & pay to the Treasurer the Towns proportion as afores^d.

January 13: 1692. At a Legal Town Meeting called by the Select men to consider & conclude how to attend & Practically to answer the determination of the honoured Arbitrators, respecting or giving m^r Pel: Glover a meet recompense for the ministry Land w^{ch} was Sequestred for the ministry in this Town for ever (though after that unwarily given his Rev^d father) that so we might quietly enjoy the s^d Ministry Land again, w^{ch} compensation or recompence the said [III—148.] Arbitrators did determine to be Three hundred & fifty pounds & whereas s^d Arbitrators did advise to make a recompence by Lands againe as much as we might & if we could, & m^r Glover liking also to take Land in way of recompence, Therefore at this meeting It was first voted that the Town would Let s^d m^r Glover have the Town Land at Chickuppi & the medow on the North East side of the street, at the price of Two hundred & fifty pounds, but because m^r Glover gainsayed that, & offered Two hundred & forty pounds, the Town yeilded to him therein: This was done wth Genll Consent, save three that dissented viz Joseph Stebbins & Jn^o Miller & Joseph Bedortha, who required their dissent to be entered.

And it was further voted & agreed that an equal Assessm^t should be made upon the Inhabitants of the town forthwth for the gathering the remaining part viz for one hundred & Ten pounds, w^{ch} Assessment being brought to m^r Glovers

house by the several Inhabitants m^r Glover being p^rsent, Consented that the Select men should measure the same out to him: the said sentence being first written & read to him:

It was further concluded that the Select men should deliver the foresaid Town Lands to m^r Glover, he delivering or surrendering up the ministry Lands to the primitive state & use.

It was voted & concluded at this meeting that the Second Tuesday in March should be the day for the Attending o^r Genll Town meetings Annually for y^e elections of Towns officers according to the Act of y^e Governor & Council &c.

Symon Smith was chosen Gager & Packer for the year ensuing:

January 24: 1692. Here follow the Returne the Selectmen made concerning their delivery of the Towns Lands to m^r Glover, &c.

Whereas a Town meeting Jan: 13: 1692, wth Reference to y^e Towns Concluding how to satisfy m^r Pelatiah Glover the three hundred & fifty pounds, the town were awarded by the honoured Arbitrators to pay to s^d M^r Glover, upon their Assuming the ministry Lands & housing to their primitive state & use. At w^{ch} meeting m^r Glover came to this conclusion wth the Towne, That m^r Glover should have the delivery of the medow In the Town Plat & the Lands at Chickupi made to him by the Select men, & that those Lands should be considered or accounted as Two hundred & forty pounds & that the Select men should make a rate of one hundred & Ten pounds for the complement of the s^d awarded Sum:

In pursuance of s^d vote & conclusion, Three of the Select men viz Samll Bliss Sen^r & Capt Thomas Colton & Thomas Stebbins did go upon s^d Lands, first they went upon the medow before the Street & then went upon Chickupi Lands & then in presence of Samuell Bédortha & Nathanll Dumbleton, & did at once give m^r Glover possession by Twig of said Lands at Chickupi & of s^d Medow at the price of Two hundred & forty pounds, delivering to m^r Glover. It was upon condition of his Relinquishment & surrendry of the Ministry Land to the Towne for the ministry, & then the Select men

did desire m^r Glover to make resignm^t of the ministry Land to the Town, & m^r Glover made this reply, That They must Resume the s^d Lands:

And further y^e Select men have made a Rate of one hundred & ten pounds to satisfy the remainder of the awarded sum. [III—149.]

At a General Town Meeting, March 17, 1692-3 for the Election of Town officers, being the first meeting for such Elections under the Governor his Excellency Sir William Phips, Knight.

The Worshipful John Pynchon Esq is chosen Moderator for al the meetings this yeer.

They did give in their votes for a County Treasurer, w^{ch} were sealed up in y^e presence of the voters to be sent to y^e Next Quarter Sessions.

Luke Hitchcocke & Samll Ely were chosen the comittee for the examining the accounts of the Select men that now cease their office.

Lt Jn^o Hitchcocke Eliakim Cooley Joseph Stebbins Jonathan Ball and John Holyoke were chosen Selectmen to act according to Instructions p. 5th of y^e booke.

John Holyoke is chosen Town Clerke

Henry Chapin is chosen Comissioner for Assessments.

Thomas Cooper & Samll Terrey are chosen constables.

Tho: Stebbins is chosen Measurer for Lands.

Benja. Stebbins Henry Rogers & Henry Burt are chosen surveiors for y^e high wayes respectively.

Miles Morgan James Warriner Sen^r John Dorchester Nathl Burt Sen^r & Edwd Foster are chosen Tithing men.

The fence veivers are as follows: Ben: Leonard & Tho. Day Jun^r for the part of the genll feild North of Agawam.—Charles Ferrey Sen^r & Tho Mirricke Jun^r for South side of Agawam.—Joseph Ashley & Nathanll Morgan for Chickuppi feild.—Nathanll Mun & Thomas Lamb for the Plaine.—John Harmon & Increase Sikes Sen^r for the homelots.—& Nath: Burt Jun^r & Samll Keep for Long medow:

Luke Hitchcocke is chosen Sealer for Leather.

It is voted & concluded that the Select men do agree wth Samll Miller respecting the Town Lands in his hands, that the same may be free for m^r Pel: Glover, that m^r Glover may come to possession & occupy the s^d Lands wthout any Let or disturbance.

It was further voted & agreed to renew o^r Invitation of m^r John Haines that he continue wth us in the worke of the ministry wth respect to his Administring of al the ordinances of the Gospel to us: & It was agreed that the Worshipll Major Jn^o Pynchon Esq Quart^rm^r Colton & Deacon Burt should manage the whole Treatment, as they were appointed Sept. 1, 1692: pa: 146.

At a Town Meeting: April 3: 1693

It was voted to give m^r John Haines seventy pounds for the second yeer, & the produce of the house & Land for the Ministry, & hereafter to adde to his Stipend according as God shal blesse us, & that the Three men formerly appointed to treat him, or any two of them do signify this vote of the Town to m^r Jn^o Haines.

Voted to give m^r Pel: Glover a Deed of Assurance of y^e Towns Lands set to him by way of Compensation for The Townes Lands reassurance, & y^e Selectmen to do it. Further, it being declared to the Town by s^d m^r Glover, that are Several Rates of the Reverend his fathers stipend not fully paid: It was now voted, that the Select men for the making of s^d Rates should see to finish the collections of the arrears of s^d Several Rates, & that they be now Impowered to make out warrants for the Collecting of the unpaid part of s^d Several Rates:

There being much difficulty to gain the Constable Ben: Stebbins to collect the Towns proportion of the £24,000 Country Rate, & it being Laid before [111—150.] the Sessions March 14, 1692-3 the Justices then considered & weighed the matter, & determined that y^e s^d Constable Benja: Stebbins do collect the s^d Proportion, & that the Town should chuse a Collector to joyn with him & Assist him in s^d Collection, accordingly the Town made choice of Nathaneel Blisse to be said Collector.

It was further voted that John Dorchester & Luke Hitchcocke should lay out the tract of Two miles Square to the Makers of Rosin according to the grant thereof:

It was further voted that the Select men do what is needful & requisite for the effectual management of the affaire of keeping out the Dry Heard towards Manchonis mountaines.

April 28: At a Town Meeting.

The Worshipful Major Pynchon Esq being chosen The Towns Representative for the General Corte, for this year, It was voted to Leave it with the Select Men to se he have a man to Accompany him to Boston according as there shal be necessity.

It was voted that Major Pynchon Esq Henry Chapin Samll Terrey & Jonathan Bal be a Committee for o^r Town to treat with Northampton to Settle the bounds between Springfield & North Hampton according to the first stateing there of & o^r Agreem^t wth them, & that Rolland Thomas be added wthm if the meeting be at Springfield; this worke being not to be prolonged much beyond michaelmas Terme.

It was voted that the Select men do send to the man that we hear would set up Iron workes in o^r Town & that they Inform him that y^e Town is wiling to encourage him al that they can in that affaire, & to give him any Liberty as to Improvem^t of Iron oare in their Comons as shalbe rational, & y^t the Town should be glad if he would Come & give us a visite.

Sept: 4th: 1693. At a Town Meeting .

At this meeting there was a vote that the Town should have a meeting on the next munday at Two of the clocke in the afternoone to Consider & conclude what to doe for o^r p^rsent Ministers maintenance & to encourage him to Settle^{m^t} in the work of the ministry wth us.

Septb^r 11: 1693. At a Legal Town meeting appointed to consider what to do for the Setling of m^r John Haines in this Town according to the vote at the preceding Town Meeting. It was first voted that his Salary (after the Expiration of his 2^d yeer) should be fourscore pounds per Annum. Nextly it

was voted to give m^r John Haines after the Terme of Seven yeers one hundred pounds besides his yeerly Salary of Eighty pounds in Case he Settle among us & doe desire it. w^{ch} vote of the Town, y^e Select men were ordered to acquaint m^r John Haines with:

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[In the handwriting of Elizur Holyoke.]

Here ffolloweth Severall Grants of Land, Made by this Towne Beginning wth y^e Yeare, 1665.

There is granted to John Baker eight acres of medow over Agawam River 3 or 4 miles beyond Ensigne Coopers upon about the North branch of Stonny River in y^t pcell of meddow w^{ch} Rowland Thomas guesses to be neere 30 acres, at the South end of it John Bakers eight acres is to lye, w^{ch} 8 acres is granted him on consideration he doe settle in this Town & here continue five yeeres.

There is likewise granted to Japhet Chapin Timothy Cooper David Ashley and James Taylor the rest of y^t pcell of meddow there to be equally divided among y^m foure. And there is further granted unto them, foure, Twenty acres apeece of upland neere that meddow lying on this side of it, neere about a mile to y^e Northward of their meddow w^{ch} is to be proportioned amongst y^m equally alike for the goodness of the land.

Also James Taylor (in leiu of form^r grants made to him, & the land not found for him) hath grannted unto Thirty acres in a low peece of ground or bottom haveing a brooke running thorow it about halfe a mile on this side Paucatuck towards Worrinoco, and in case y^e land will hold out he is to have it made up fforty acres: Provided it be noe way p^rjudiciall to high wayes:

There is granted to Lawrence Bliss Some Small nookes & Strappetts of Meddow & Swamp lying in the corners of his meddow laid out at Watchuett in case all beside his former grannt there exceed not Three acres:

There is granted to Thomas Copley on the West side of

the great river house lott on this side of William Hunters: And Ten acres under the hill at y^e reere of his home lott and some distance from the fence: Also Thirty acres at Ashkanuksuck: These graunts are on condition he settle in y^e Town five yeeres.

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There is grannted to Samuell Marshfeild Tenne acres of land under the hill at the lotts above y^e comon fence w^{ch} extends from y^e great River to Agawam River: This land to lye by Thomas Copleys ten acres before mentioned.

Symon Bemon moving y^t his Six acre lot formerly grannted him at Skipmuck & his former grannt of ffoureteene acres there may be laid together: his desire is grannted, & the measurer is to lay it out for his best conveniency & uppon his desire, there is further grannted him eight acres of land there adjoyning to y^e former pcells & all to be laid together by y^e measurer, provided it hinder not Rowland Thomas from coming to his land there.

Also there is grannted Symon Bemon five or six acres of meddow over Chickuppy River beyond Jeremy Hortons meddow of the best meddow he can fynd nere it on this side Stony Brooke.

John Bliss hath liberty grannted him for mowing 8 or 10 acres on fresh water River where he mowed last yeere: And this till y^t land be further considered of for disposing of it.

Nathaneell Burt hath grannted unto him the pond ag^t his two lotts in y^e long meddow & Soe up to y^e brow of the hill, if it be not already grannted him, provided it be noe wrong to y^e Indians in gathering or coming to their pease.

John Keepe also hath soe much of the pond as is agaynst his Land grannted him & Soe up to y^e brow of the hill upon like conditions.

George Colton hath likewise y^e pond ag^t his land grannted him upon like condition.

John Scott hath grannted unto him the land at the West end of his Twenty acre lott (in Chicuppe playne.) the land between his lott & y^e former vizt from y^e end of his lott to y^e fence:

Abell Wright hath granted unto him a house lott at Skipmuck of 8 or 10 acres provided it be in y^e playne by James Warriners land.

Thomas Noble hath granted unto him a lott there of 8 or 10 acres on y^e top of y^e hill ag^t Abell Wright.

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Granted unto Charles Ferry in y^e playne at Skeepmuck 30 acres of land where he desires it if soe much be there in y^t playne; pvided he doe build & settle upon it within three yeeres from this day of January y^e 5th 1665, or elce the Land to returne to the Towne againe: Se pa. 163.

There is granted to Inhabitants of Skeepmuck a highway from y^e Slow beyond the Swan pond to y^e higher Wading place in chickuppe river

There is granted to Capt John Pynchon that those wood lotts w^{ch} he bought of Miles Morgan & Griffith Jones shall runne in length Eastward all the breath of them Soe far further as to be equall in length wth the River of his forner wood lotts w^{ch} lye on y^e South of this grant.

George Colton hath granted unto him that his wett meddow below the Long Meddow shall run to the foote of the hill square wth y^t w^{ch} was Goodm: Harmans meddow there.

Richard Excell hath granted unto him y^t what land he hath already at Block Brooke shalbe made up thirty acres there p^t of this land is in Satisfaction for land he hath laid comon for the fence to run to Agawam River:

Obadiah Miller hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land at Block Bridge next to Richard Excell: These grannts not to p^rjudice any high wayes.

Japhett Chapin hath granted unto him a Strappet of meddow on y^e Mill River about one acre upon a little brook y^t runs into Goodman Warreners meddow.

ffrancis Pepper hath granted unto him eight or tenne acres of land in y^e playne about End brooke at the Eastward end of m^r Holyokes land & the land y^t was m^r Smithes there, & thence to run Eastward towards the hill but not quite to y^e hill that there may be sufficient walk & passage for cattel wth some scope for them under the hill.

Samuell Marshfeild desiring y^e West s^d side of the great River & on the North side of the comon fence (y^t runs from y^e great River to Agawam river—may be carryed a little higher [III—154.] that soe his lott w^{ch} he bought of Goodm: Warrener may Lye next to the fence, his desire is grannted, provided Charles fferry whose lott is next be content to lye next the high way & pvided also it may be noe detriment to y^e high way to be carryed thus higher.

Robert Ashley hath grannted unto him as an addition to his ffoure acres more, Soe y^t he is to have there in all eight acres for woodland, to run in length 80 rod as other wood lotts doe, only there is to be reserved there three rod broad the whole length of these lotts w^{ch} is to be left comon for a highway for passage into the woods, eyther there or lower as shalbe most convenient.

Benjamin Parsons hath y^e pond ag^t his land in the Long meddow grannted him, pvided it wrong not the Indians nor hinder their takeing of their pease.

John Bliss hath grannted unto him y^e pond ag^t his land in y^e Long meadow; pvided it wrong not the Indians nor hinder them taking their pease

Benjamin Parsons & Thomas Powell have grannted betwixt them forty acres of Upland at Chickuppe River side below Sconunganuck:

John Horton hath 8 acres of land grannted unto him on y^e back side his house lott at Skeepmuck. Resigned to y^e Towne before R. Thomas & Jer. Horton.

John Dumbleton hath grannted to him thirty acres of upland & swamp at Paucatuck towards Worrnoco joyning to the north side of Thomas Millers land & the land y^t Capt Pynchon bought of the said John Dumbleton.

Also there is grannted him tenne acres of land on the West side of y^e great River under the hills without the comon fence by Samuel Marshfeilds & Thomas Copleyes land there.

Samuel Marshfeild hath grannted unto him an addition of six acres of land to the ten acres granted him at y^e last meeting, w^{ch} is to lye under the hills at y^e Reer of y^e house lotts

without y^c comon fence which) [III—155.] runs from y^e great River to Agawam river. In all he is to have Sixteen acres there together, (by Thomas Copley) this grant is on condition y^t he resigne up his Six acre lott w^{ch} he bought of William Warrener without the said comon fence into the Town: And he upon this grant did resigne up the said six acres to the Town to lye comon: And it is Ordered y^t the Said six acres in breadth 12 rod shall lye Comon, Together wth the eight rod in breadth along by the said fence formerly appoynted for a high way there, wth Twenty rod together in breadth without the fence is to lye comon for a high way & for food of cattell, & is soe to run to thorow along by the fence side to cover the muxy meddow or further to be continued all y^e way Twenty rod broad:

And it is ordered & grannted that there shallbe Twenty rod broad lye comon at y^e reere of those house lotts y^t are above the said fence, vizt ag^t the said lotts. Twenty rod wide is to be left for a high way & for feed of Cattell.

There being certayne small peells of Meddow, lying upon a Dingle on y^e South side of the Bay path ag^t the ffour mile pond in all about 3 or 4 acres, they are granted to & are to be to the use & behoof of him y^t doth or shall keepe the Ordinary in this Town from tyme to tyme that is to say while he doth keepe the Ordinary in this towne. The Said meddow being appropriated to y^t use for encouragem^t of such as shall be legally chosen to that work from tyme to tyme.

There is granted to the house of correction of this County in Springfeild a certyne peell of meddow by or upon y^e little gutter beyond the Swanne pond about two miles from this Town by the Bay path w^{ch} meddow running in compass may be about an acre and a half or two acres, w^{ch} is to belong to the house of correction, to be improved by the Master of y^e said house from tyme to tyme. Also there is granted to belong to the s^d house of correction Tenne acres of land upon a gutter or swamp w^{ch} runs into y^e Mill river about Seven miles from the Town a little [III—156.] beyond where the Tar kilne was by the Bay path to the Eastward of that Tar kilne

place. This ten acres is to lye at the lower end of that Swamp or low land & is to be improved by him y^t shalbe y^e Master of the said house of correction, for which in after tyme, there shalbe allowed by the County to y^e Towne as the Select men shall condition for.

There is granted to Thomas Noble foure or ffive acres of meddow a little beyond Skeepnuck where Symon Bemon hath meddow if soe much be there to be had.

There is granted to Joseph Crowfoote below Agawam River foure acres of meddow in leiu of a former grant (w^{ch} he hath not) where Joseph Leonard shall have some.

Joseph Leonard hath eight acres granted him (if it be there to be had beside Joseph Crowfootes aforesaid) Also fforty acres of upland is granted him to joyne to his meddow:

Joseph Crowfoote hath also granted him Two acres of Low ground or Meddow upon the brook y^t runs by Rice Bedorthas cellar about the head of y^t brooke.

Samuell Terry hath granted unto him Thirty acres of Upland all along by his meddow beyond Chickuppe playne on y^e West side of the great River, only a high way is reserved all along thorow this peece of land, w^{ch} this grannt is noe wayes to p^rjudice.

Rice Bedortha & Edward ffoster have granted unto each of them Thirty acres of land in the next hollow beyond block bridge to lye a little on this side of the tymber swamp below the swamp vizt to y^e Southward of it, provided noe high way be prejudiced by this grant.

Timothy Cooper & Japhet Chapin have granted unto them Six acres of meddow to each of them to ly to the Norwest of y^e Meddow over Agawam granted to them last meeting, they are to take it together at the lower end of y^e Meddow:

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Serjant Stebbins hath y^e Swamp granted him y^t is betwixt his meddow over Agawam river & y^e Hills.

Nathaneell Pritchard hath granted unto him the Spangs or strappetts of upland betwixt & about his meddow at Pacowsick to y^e quantity of ten or twelve acres.

Rowland Thomas hath granted unto him by his house at Chickuppe adjoining to his land there about three acres of land more to y^e Northwest of his house & joyning to his brother Henry Chapins land.

There is granted to John Bliss & Samll Bliss Sen^r to each of them Six acres of meddow lying on a brook y^t runs into fresh water brooke about a mile & halfe beyond Nathaneell Elyes meddow, if soe much be there. Samuell Bliss his share is to begin at the higher end of the meddow next the Swamp w^{ch} y^e brook runs out of.

Also Samuel Bliss Jun^r hath granted unto him three acres of meddow there wth his Uncles if soe much be there besides his former grants.

Those grants are on condition y^t y^e land be undisposed of: & y^t it be in y^e liberty of the Towne to grant them.

Thomas Cooper Jun^r hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land Southward of the meddowes over Agawam river between Samuell Marshfields land there & Thomas Mirick: It is to lye in a square peece & not to p^rjudice any high way y^t may be laid out there about.

Griffith Jones hath granted unto him ten acres of land Northwesterly from y^e Comon fence y^t runs fro the great River to Agawam River, w^{ch} is to lye between John Dumbletons land and the high way & the hill, if soe much be there besides former grants.

Thomas Cooper jun^r hath also granted him five or Six acres of meddow on y^e most Easterly branch of Stony River where he can fynd it most convenient being 3 or 4 miles from his fathers house over Agawam River.

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Joseph Leonard hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land above the Second brook y^t is above his fathers house over Agawam river & below Thomas Millers Land there Provided he leave Twenty rod in breadth between this grant & the bank of Agawam River.

Rowland Thomas hath granted unto him Six or Seaven acres of land at y^e Easterly end of Henry Chapins land on this

side Chickuppe river, being to joyne to the said Rowlands own land Northerly & to y^e high way Southerly.

John Dorchester hath granted unto him a little pond containing two or three acres more or less by y^e way to Wachuett meddowes about 3 miles beyond y^e mill River, profit p^rjudice noe high way there about.

Widdy Bliss hath granted unto her soe much of the pond as is at y^e end of her lott in Long meddow: provided y^e Indians be not molested in comeing to or gathering of their pease:

Capt. Pynchon haveing had intentions to sett up a Saw Mill wthin this Township: ffor his encouragem^t in y^e work & upon condition y^t the Saw Mill be built upon y^e Old Mill Streame, To all former grants made to him on like accounts There is further granted him by this Plantation the free use of y^e Said Streame for y^t work & free liberty for felling & Sawing w^t trees he shall please y^t are upon y^e comons belonging to y^e Plantation except such trees as are between the Bay path & Chickuppe River: Also there is by the Plantation granted unto him his heires & assignes Thirty acres of land upon the Southerly side of y^e Old Mill Streame & neare his said Saw Mill in the most convenient place y^t he shall chuse reserving liberty for high wayes where the Select men of this Town shall see meete to lay them:

There is grannted to Obadiah Miller a little peice of meddow conteyning two or three acres upon 3-4 of a Mile from y^e Meddowes called Non Such upon y^e brook y^t runs into the great River at y^e higher end of Chickuppe playn neer y^e head of y^e brooke:

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John Clark hath granted unto him ffour acres of Wett meddow on y^e South side of the Bay path about ffour miles from town, provided it be not already disposed to some other.

John Stewart hath grannted unto him what land shalbe found between his land in the 3^d division & y^e Meddow Lotts providing only a high way of a rod broad from y^e Meddow lotts to y^e way through y^e 3^d division, on y^t side of his land next to James Warreners land.

There is granted to John Bliss ffour acres of Meddow Somewhat beyond his Six acres forme^rly granted, if there be soe much there after George Coltons & Benjamin Cooleyes Grants be measured out.

Peter Swink hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land neer block bridge, above Obadiah Millers Land.

John Baker hath granted unto him ffive or Six acres of land for a house lott by James Taylor & Thomas Copley on y^e playn towards Willm: Hunters.

Jonathan Ball hath granted unto him that peece of Land w^{ch} lyeth betweene his land in the third division & the meddow lotts yet not to pjudice any high way: this in reference to once acre & halfe y^t is said to be due to his mother on some old account, this grant being in leiu thereof & to satisfy for it & noe otherwise & soe accepted.

John Lamb hath granted unto him two acres of meddow lying on a dyngle or between y^e hills or on a gutter y^t runs y^e Easterly branch of the Mill river beyond y^e bridge called Goodm: Warreners bridge.

Richard Sikes hath granted unto him a peece of land lying by his former grant of Swamp at y^e lower end of Chick-uppe playn on y^e west side of the great River. And for the convenient lyinge of it, & the quantity thereof It is left to y^e discretion of the Measurer & Thomas Miller.

James Warrener hath granted unto him that vacant land that is between the front of his third division & the meddow lotts Also there is granted unto him a little peece of Meddow by his meddow on y^e mouth of Small brooke.

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John Petty hath granted unto him eight acres of meddow on Stony Brook y^t is in the way to Windsor & on the West side of the great River. This meddow is to lye on y^e North-erly branch of y^t brook or Riveret & to begin on y^e South-west side of y^e meddow. Also there is granted him thirty acres of upland & swamp to ly together some where in those quarters as the Measurer & Thomas Miller shall see good. And these grannts of land are on condition y^t these lands be

not out of the Townes hands by the Gen^{ll} Co^rte, And that he cleare the purchase thereof:

Peter Swink hath granted unto him Ten acres of land to lye by his former grant Westerly from block bridge towards Worronoco.

Joseph Crowfoote hath granted unto him three acres of meddow neere his former grant at the upper end of the pond.

Richard Excell hath granted unto him Ten acres of land at block bridge, & to front with the brook: this grant is not to prejudice high wayes.

Benjamin Cooley hath granted unto him the breadth of two dingles w^{ch} lye on both sides his 30 acre lott on y^e hill over ag^t his house in y^e Long meddow y^t is to say from y^e brow of y^e hill on y^e North side of the upper dingle to y^e brow of y^e hill on y^e South side of y^e Lower dingle & as far up the dingles as his 30 acre lott reaches:

George Colton hath granted unto him Eight acres of meddow on a small brooke beyond y^e great meddow but on this side Scantuck river.

Benjamin Cooley hath granted unto him Six acres of Meddow in y^e Same place, if soe much be there to be had besides y^e grant to Geo: Colton.

John Keepe And Nathancell Burt have granted unto them ffoure acres a peece on y^e same brook if it be there or else where if they can fynd it:

Thomas Noble hath granted unto him Six acres of meddow on the left hand of Worronoco path to Windsor: Provided it be in the power of this Town to dispose of.

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Rowland Thomas hath granted unto him Ten acres of meddow on y^e small brook on this side the great meddow on a small branch of y^t runneth into Stony brook in y^e way to Hadley.

Joseph Crowfoot hath granted unto him ffive or Six acres of land at y^e head of Chickuppe playne on y^e West side of the great river wthout y^e same along the brooke: provided it p^rjudice noe high wayes: And hereupon he surrenders up

his grant of meddow upon y^e head of y^t brook y^t comes down by Rice Bedortha:

John Lamb hath granted unto him three or foure acres of meddow on a small brook y^t is in y^e way to Wilhm: Warreners meddow on y^e left hand of y^e way:

Samuell Harman Joseph Harman & Samuell Bliss Jun^r have grannted unto them twenty acres of wett meddow on a small brook about a mile & halfe beyond great wachuett Eastward.

George Colton hath grannted unto him y^t part of the pond y^t lyeth ag^t his meddow & his strappet of upland & downe to Nathaneell Burts bounds:

Samuell Harman & Joseph Harman have grannted unto each of them Thirty acres of upland on this side great Wachuett.

Benjamin Parsons hath grannted unto him two acres of Meddow at Cowseek neare John Matthews Swamp (as it is usually called) by or neare another grant of his thereabout.

Samuell Marshfield Miles Morgan John Leonard & Griffith Jones have grannted unto them all the Swamp ag^t their meddow over Agawam River vizt the upper meddow there.

Thomas Mirrack hath grannted unto him Twenty acres of upland at y^e North end of John Lambs meddow w^{ch} lyeth on a small brook towards W: Warreners bridge.

Joseph Leonard hath Twenty acres of land grannted him at the South east end of his former 20 acres by his fathers:

Thomas Mirick hath granted unto him y^e upland ag^t the whole breadth of his pikle over Agawam River & former grants nor high wayes y^t may be laid out there:

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Granted to Charles fferry a neck of land y^t lyeth betweene Thomas Nobles homelott at Skipmuck & the said Charles his fformer grant there provided the said Charles doe yeeld to y^e laying out a high way where it is most convenient.

John Stewart hath grannted unto him y^e lott wthout the gate w^{ch} was formerly Abell Wrights lott lying on y^e West side of y^e great River between William Hunters & the Comon fence:

Obadiah Miller hath eight acres of Swamp land granted unto him, lying at the East end of his upland at block bridge.

Increase Sikes hath granted unto him Three or ffour acres of Wett meddow on y^e West side of the great River in y^e woods right opposite to Samuell Terryes meddow by y^e river side or thereabout if it be to be found.

Rowland Thomas hath granted unto him about one acre & halfe of land at the South west end of his home lott at Skipmuck, provided it doth not prejudice any comon good.

Serjeant Stebbings hath granted unto him Six acres of land above end brook between William Branch his lott ag^t y^e playne & ffrancis Peppers lott provided a high way be reserved in place most convenient.

Anthony Dorchester hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land on y^e hill y^t looks over y^e meddow over Agawam River beyond Leiut Coopers land there: this grannt is to lye next Samuell Marshfields land except Thomas Cooper Junior doe take his grannt of land there. And this grant is not to hinder any high way ag^t y^t may be laid there:

John Stewart hath granted to him the parcells of upland to y^e quantity of Seven or eight acres w^{ch} lye betweene or in or about his meddow on all sides at the mill river.

Granted that Jeremy Hortons home lott at Skipmuck And that was Nathaneell Elyes grant there shall lye without any interposition of a high way, if Geo: Colton & Nath: Ely who are appoynted to survey it shal see meet till w^{ch} tyme the way is to stand & remayn as it is determined in y^e next grannt.

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The Inhabitants at Skipmuck designing y^t the way w^{ch} doth lye between Jeremy Hortons home lott there & his land in y^e neck may be Altered & lye between Jeremyes lott & taken out of John Hortons, ffor desiding of the Matter the Select Men doe appoynt Nath: Ely & Geo: Colton to take survey there upon & to determine w^{ch} is most Convenient whose determination is to stand in y^e case & if they see good cause to accord to y^e above said desire, there is granted 2 or 3 acres more to John Horton.

This order should have been recorded before y^e last in y^e former page.

March 4th 1667-8. Att a Meeting of y^e Select Men they being all p^rsent.

John Riley & Rice Bedortha are appoynted to lay out a way from y^e comon gate by William Brookes to y^e brooke, & over the brook at y^e higher end of the playne & from thence to & over the next brooke: And he make returne of their work under their hands to y^e Select Men.

There being a condition in Charles fferryes grant of 30 acres of land at Skipmuck, as in y^e grant made Anno 1665 appears: And he intreating the Town at a Town Meeting February 26 1667 to take off the s^d Condition y^t the grant to him might be free & absolute. And the Towne then leaving his case & request to be determined by the Select Men.

The Select Men doe now determine y^t the said Condition in y^e s^d Charles fferryes grannt shalbe taken off, only provided y^t if there be need of a high way through any part of the land in y^e judgm^t of Elizur Holyoke & Miles Morgani who are to goe & take survey thereof, that then a high way shall lye through y^t land where the s^d two p^rsons shall determine.

Benjamin Parsons hath granted unto him Tenn acres of meddow beyond Skipmuck (whereabout Abell Wright hath some granted him,) if it be there to be had: it is to be next Abells or in y^e meddow next to it. And in Leiu thereof he resigning into y^e Townes hand his 40 acres grannted as fresh water brooke.

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There is also granted unto Deacon Chapin Ten acres of meddow beyond Skipmuck where he can fynd it soe much undisposed.

These grants that way are on condition y^t those lands be free for this Town to dispose of, & y^t if they be not purchased of the Indians they cleare y^e purchase thereof.

Serjeant Stebbin hath ffoure acres of land granted to him adjoining to his other six above end brook. Only the wood of the 4 acres is to be free for any one till he fence the land.

John Leonard hath Six or Seven acres of land granted him at the end of his 40 acres by his house over Agawam River.

These ffour grants of land next following were made by the Committee impowered for that work for y^e yeere 1667. & should have been entered amongst their acts:

Impr: John Bagg hath a Grant of what vacant land lyeth between William Brookes his land & Goodman Ashleyes & the high way, in y^e little playne on y^e West side of y^e great river.

John Riley hath a grant of Ten acres of Upland in Length according to the length of his meddow w^{ch} he bought of Henry Chapin lying thereby: but he is not to p^judice high wayes w^{ch} are to lye in place most convenient.

Edmund Pringridayes hath granted unto him what land lyeth undisposed of & that doth noe way p^rjudice high wayes and John Dumbleton & Samuell Marshfeild are to take care about & to see to it.

Rice Bedortha hath granted unto him the Side of the hill lyeth by his house lott on y^e West Side of the great River vizt on the West Side of y^e Lott: Provided it be noe hinderance of the high way up the hill. As also y^t peece of land on y^e South of the brooke provided it p^rjudice noe high way, & Samuell Marshfeild & John Dumbleton are to take care to See what is convenient for a high way & for passage for cattell, & on the North of the said lott the same two men are to consider & determine what is convenient for the high way & he is to have the rest.

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ffebr. 10th 1667. At a meeting of the Select Men they being all p^rsent.

Abell Wright hath by them granted unto him Tenne acres of Meddow, in that meddow beyond Skipmuck where Rowland Thomas had 10 acres grannted unto him by the said Committee y^t were impowered to grant lands: This meddow now granted lyeth on a little brook y^t runs down to Stony brook y^t is in the way to Hadley: this grant is on condition y^t

that land be free fro former grants & y^t it be free for this Town to dispose of, & if it be not purchased of y^e Indians, he cleare the purchase thereof:

Rowland Thomas hath also two acres more of the same meddow grannted unto him to be added to his former tenn acres, & on the Same tearmes wth Abell Wrights.

Abell Wright hath also grannted unto him about two acres of land at the South westerly side of Rowland Thomas his house lott at Skipmuck: pvided it p^rjudice not former grants or high wayes:

John Petty hath granted unto him an addition of Six acres of meddow to his former 8 acres beyond Agawam River towards Stony River on tearmes hereafter mentioned.

William Hunter hath granted unto him Twenty of Upland & ten acres of meddow on or neere Stony River towards Windsor, neere where John Petty hath land & on like tearmes & y^t the lands be not taken out of the Townes hands by Superior Powers & that they cleare the purchase of those lands:

Thomas Day hath granted unto him ffoure or five acres of Meddow above his meddow at Worlds end lying on both sides of y^e brook or Riveret there.

Also there was granted him Six acres for a wood lott at or on the reer of Capt Pynchons wood lott, & it is to lye from the brow of the hill on y^e Northerly side of Garden brook & from there to run Northerly or Easterly: only a high way is to lye from y^e S^d brook into those playnes beyond the brook in place most convenient.

John Lamb hath granted unto him y^e land y^t is between his lotts in the playne above End brook & the hills, And the land y^t is between the lott y^t was Griffith Jones & the hills there Eastward.

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Att a meeting of y^e Select Men: March 4th: '68, they all being p^rsent:

Serjeant Stebbins hath grannted unto him ffoure acres of land adjoyning to his other Six acres lying by Goodm: Branch his land at the three Corner Meddow brook called End

Brooke. This garnt is on Condition y^t wood on y^e said ffoure acres be free for any till he fence y^e Land, vitz the said ffoure acres.

John Leonard hath granted unto him Six or Seven acres of land at y^e end of his fforty acres y^t is by his house over Agawam River.

June y^e 29th this 1668: Att a Meeting of y^e Select Men they being all p^rsent.

John Skinner of Hartford desiring to come & Settle in this Plantation hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land on y^e high land by Agawam meddowes, adjoyning to the land of Thomas Cooper Junio^r: Provided he come & settle in this Towne wth his family: & y^t he give bond to y^e vallue of Twenty pound wth surety to y^e Select Mens satisfaction to Save y^e Towne from charge from him or his: This grant also is not to p^rjudice high wayes y^t may be laid there about.

Samuell Ely hath granted unto him all the land w^{ch} lyeth between that allotment w^{ch} he lives on in y^e Long Meddow & the high way y^t is by the pond vitz y^e long pond on y^e back side of y^e Meddow:

ffrancis Pepper hath granted unto him Tenne acres of land adjoyning to Serj: Stebbins his land above mentioned Southerly & extending Northerly to y^e rising land or first hill over y^e 2^d bridge.

Benjamin Munn hath granted unto him Tenne acres of land adjoyning to ffrancis Peppers land above grannted, w^{ch} is to lye Southward also from & under y^e same rising of land: & between y^e said land & y^e great playne: provided there be so much land there undisposed of: These 2 grants to ffrancis Pepper & Benj: Munn are on Condition y^t the wood on those lands be free for any till y^e land be fenced, & that high wayes be not p^rjudiced thereby:

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Jan 11: 1668. Att a Meeting of the Select Men they being all p^rsent.

Theres grannted unto Samuel Ely ten acres of land below y^e bridge that is by Nath: Burts land at y^e back side of

y^e Long meddow: this land soe granted is to joyne y^e lower end of John Harmans Land, & the reere of y^e Long Meddow lotts by the brooke: Only there is to be left a sufficient high way for drift of Cattle to y^e Comons below y^e Meddows.

Leit Cooper hath granted unto him y^t if John Skinner doe not come to inhabitate in this Town within two yeeres from this tyme, then he the s^d Leit Cooper shall have that twenty acres of land granted to y^e s^d John Skinner.

John Dumbleton hath a peece of land granted him about 6 acres of land next to y^e lott y^t was granted to James Taylor above y^e comon fence on y^e West side of y^e great River if soe much be there undisposed of.

Miles Morgan hath granted unto him y^t peece of land y^t lyes between his land by the Round hill & end brooke, excepting only y^t he is to leave Sixteen rod brooke, between this land soe granted & Goodm: Branch his ditch, & soe forward Sixteen rod wide between this land so granted & the brow of y^e hill w^{ch} is on the South Easterly side of the said brooke: And this grant is to extend Northerly or North Easterly over the brook y^t runs out of y^e wett meddow to y^e brow or top of y^e next rising of land w^{ch} is a little from y^e brooke: this grant not to prejudice the way over y^e new bridge.

Granted to Edmund Prinridayes & Francis Pepper to keepe their fence by Chickuppe playne on y^e place where it now stands pvided they doe y^e fence themselves, except soe much as any of y^e proprietors of y^t feild fall short of doing their share thereabout.

febr: 8th 1668. By y^e Select Men: All of y^m p^rsent.

Anthony Dorchester haveing a pcell of land granted him in Chickuppe playne on y^e West side of y^e great River, at y^e back end or west end of y^e land Some tymes called Miles Mowing lott w^{ch} grant was made many yeeres & hath possessed & improved it Severall yeeres, & yet the Record of it through some neglect is not found the said land is now confirmed to him, vizt Six or Seven acres: Robert Ashleyes land lying on y^e North side of it & Miles Morgan on y^e South.

Obadiah Miller haveing 20 acres of land granted him at

Achcanunksitt in febr 6, 1664, w^{ch} was never laid out, & he desiring the place may be altered & y^t it may ly at block bridge brook, his desire is grannted & his to have the said Twenty acres of land on y^e West side of his other land there: & Hereby his former grant at Asceanunksitt is voyd.

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Edmund Prinridayes desiring One or two acres of mean land to be granted him, w^{ch} lyes at y^e Reer of his land in Chickuppe playne, & was taken in wth his land only for conveniency of fencing the afore acre or two of land there is granted unto him.

francis Pepper hath likewise granted unto him the land at y^e end of his lott there.

febr. 12th 1668. Att a Meeting of y^e Select Men.

There is granted to John Dumbleton Samuell Marshfield Griffith Jones & Thomas Copley, that for conveniency of fencing their Lands under the hills at the Reere of the house lots above y^e Comon fence on y^e West side of y^e great River: they shall have liberty to jutt their fence toward the brow of the great hill.

Peter Swink hath grannted unto him Six or Seavn acres of low land meddowish land w^{ch} is to be laid out to him on y^e northerly side of Block brook ag^t his former grannt of Thirty acres there & joyning thereto: Provided it may be Lawfull for y^e Inhabitants to make up use of y^e tymber trees that grow in his 30 acres formerly granted him; while it lyes comon or till it shall be improved or fenced in, in pt. at least Two acres, till then the tymber there to be comon for y^e Neighbors: The said Peter Swink accepting of y^e grant abovsaid on y^e Conditions above expressed.

Symon Beman hath grannted unto him an acre & halfe or two acres of meddow uppon a small brooke Northward a little beyond Skepmuck w^{ch} brooke runs down toward Stony River: this meddow being a little off of Rowland Thomas his meddow there.

John Riley hath granted unto him an addition of Two acres of land to his for 10 acres above y^e playne called Chickuppe on y^e West side of y^e great Riyer.

Granted unto Thomas Day John Clark Nathaneell Ely & Charles fferry the land at y^e Eastward end of their lotts over y^e Meddow where Thomas Day dwells by the prison house: vizt 20 rod long Eastward from the end or Reere of their lotts for y^e whole breadth of their lotts: This in leiu of land taken from those lotts in y^e front for y^e high way. & is in full satisfaction for y^e land taken for y^e said high way.

Lawrence Bliss hath a like grant of 20 rod long for the whole breadth of his lott over y^e meddow vizt at y^e Reere of it. This being also in satisfaction for land taken from y^e lot for the said high way:

The like grant is made to y^e lott belonging to y^e house of correction. And to y^e lot y^t belong to y^e house where John Matthews dwells.

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April 7th, 1669. At a Meeting of the Select Men: All present.

Benjamin Parsons hath granted unto him about an acre of meddow about 3 miles fro y^e Towne on y^e right hand of y^e way to Watchuet on a Gutter running down to John Harmon's Pacowsick meddow.

Joseph Crowfoote hath granted unto him about halfe an acre of land neere his house at Chickuppe It was to lye a corner wise next y^e high way at y^e Southerly corner of his land there: this to bring his lott Square at y^e front. There is also granted unto him 4 acres at y^e flank of his lott towards y^e Eastward End thereof.

Jeremy Horton hath granted unto him about halfe an acre of land at y^e West end of his house lott next to Symon Bemen to lay his lott Square, as also a triangle peece of about halfe an acre at y^e South east corner of his lott to bring his lott up to y^e South east corner of his lott to bring his lott up to y^e high way there.

Capt Pynchon hath granted unto him about 3 quarters of an acre of land on y^e further side of 3 corner meddow brook above y^e playne bridge to carry y^e brook Straite next to y^e playne under y^e hill there, thereby taking in 2 or 3 acres

small spangs of land w^{ch} are now lying on y^e Northerly side of y^e brook all being about 3 quarters of an acre or but little more & is adjoining to Capt Pynchons other land at the Norwest end of the round hill.

April 23: 69: At a meeting of y^e Select Men Amongst other acts:

Jonathan Burt hath grannted unto him a small parcell of Meddow about an acre or two, upon a branch y^t comes out of the hither Watchuett & runs into Pacowsick brook provided it be not already grannted unto him foure acres of meddow on y^e hither branch of fresh water river: Provided it be not granted to any other.

Jan: 14: 1669: Att a meeting of y^e Select Men:

There is grannted to Anthony Dorchester about Ten acres of Swamp & low land between the hills where his wett meddow is beyond Agawam River:

Granted to John Clarke ten acres of land by his meddow on y^e Mill River in Severall spangs to lay his Meddow & y^t together.

Granted to John Bagg Twenty acres of land on the West side of the great River beyond Chickuppe playne next above John Rileys land: convenient [III—170] high wayes being reserved or there to be laid out afterwards.

Also theres grannted him ffive acres of Swampy meddowish land hemmed in wth hils & lying about 60 rod above Chickuppe playne fence.

Granted to Capt Holyoke ffoure score acres of land on y^e West side of y^e great River below the higher falls in y^e great River & a little below y^e land w^{ch} was Thomas Copleys (w^{ch} he sold to Joseph Parsons) & to lye downwards by the River side to the land grannted to John Bagg: reserving liberty for high way as thorow it, as there shalbe occasion if they cannot conveniently be laid below by the side of it.

Also there is granted to m^r Holyoke an addition to his wett Meddow by the 3 corner meddow that whereas his wett Meddow there was not to come quite to the foote of y^e hill on y^e East, It is now grannted y^t his land there shall come not

only to y^e foote of the hill, but that he shall have the land all along on the Side of the hill (the whole length of his wett meddow there) up to y^e edge of the brow soe as y^t he may sett his fence there if he See cause soe to doe: provided he doe not entrench upon the ends of any of y^e home lotts that were granted there al w^{ch} are to goe to y^t brow of y^e hill, w^{ch} runs all along by 3 Corner Meddow:

Theres granted to Wm Brookes forty acres of land on y^e Westrly side & Northly end of the land w^{ch} Thomas Copley hath Sold to Joseph Parsons of North Hampton, at the foote of y^e higher falls in y^e great River: Convenient high wayes to be reserved:

Also by way of exchange there is grannted to Samuell Marshfeild Sixty acres of land there by William Brookes they agreeing in laying of it vizt both their grannts: This of Samuell Marshfeilds is in leiw of Sixty acres w^{ch} he had over Agawam River w^{ch} he resignes into y^e Townes hand: high wayes are also to be reserved thorow the lands there as may be most convenient.

At a Town Meeting Oct 9, 1669:

The Town grannted John Stewart y^t three acres of wett Meddow & low land over ag^t or a little hill above Robt Ashley: excepting that there is to be allowed out of it one rod in breadth all along from y^e first upland over y^e Meddow to y^e end of y^e lott Eastward w^{ch} rod in breadth all along y^t backer part of y^e lott is to lye by the land y^t is appoynted for y^e high-way cross the meddow into y^e woods y^t way.

Capt Pyncheon being not paid for halfe a barrell of powder for w^{ch} y^e Town formerly engaged y^e 4 acre lott of the Townes by the round hill haveing a yeeres tyme to redeeme it as in page 60. The Town now declared that he is to have the said lott of his own proper estate.

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December 13th, 71. Whereas Edward ffoster had a grant of thirty acres of land a little beyond Block bridge the Measurer had measured out thirty acres for him there about, but it being accounted that it is laid out not according to y^e grant

as to y^e place, Edward ffoster requesting that yet notwithstanding he may have the thirty acres according as it is measured the Select Men have granted that he shall have that thirty acres of land as it is measured bounded & marked, provided that the tymber trees on the said land shalbe free for any man till the land is fenced: that is to say such of y^e land as shall be fenced the trees of such of y^e land shalbe his own & none are to meddle with them.

This 30 acres of land Edward ffoster hath sold to John Petty.

John Petty hath granted unto him Seaven acres of land more as an addition to his 30 acres of land bought of Edward ffoster w^{ch} is to lye 14 rod wide along y^e West Side of the 30 acres vizt 80 rod long w^{ch} is the length of the 30 acres soe y^e whole pcell is 37 acres: Provided the tymber & wood growing on y^e whole pcell be free for any y^e Neighbors to make use of till he shall improve it or fence it in.

Granted to John Lamb five or Six acres of land for a home-lott (wth liberty to build on it) by the playne above End brooke from y^e side of his own & G: Muns land there to the great hill & soe lying by y^e side of the hill: the wood & tymber thereon to be free for any inhabitant till he improve it

Symon Lobdell desiring a little strap of Meddow beyond y^t granted to Cornelius Williams and Eastward of it: There is granted unto him five acres of meddow of Soe much be there in the place desired, provided he take it from upland to upland & that it be not already granted to any other p[']son

Quarterm^r Colton hath granted unto him (for conveniency of fencing) 10 or 12 acres of land adjoyning to & by his owne land wthout the long meddow beyond Nathaneel Burts land there.

John Barber & Samuell Barber his brother have granted to each of them 16 acres of land by Agawam River side a little below Ashkanunksett in a bottom there a little beyond block bridge & if the bottom will afford it they have liberty to have 17 or 18 acres apeece: & John Barber is to chuse at w^{ch} end to take his part: this grant to Samuell Barber is on Condition he come & dwell in this Towne. [III—172.]

Abell Wright hath granted unto him Two acres of land by his house lott formerly grannted him at Skeepmuck w^{ch} is an addition thereto, provided it hinder not the highway: Also he is to allow liberty to build on his lott there.

There is granted a highway from Skeepmuck to the Towne of 3 or 4 acres rod broad from y^e white Oake marked by y^e Committee to a pine tree w^{ch} is at the West corner of Major Pynchons land there.

Samuell Holyoke hath granted unto him a parcell of land at y^e further end of the round hill between y^e land called crooked poynt & Serj: Morgans land there & Soe from Crooked poynt to y^e brook y^t runs out of the wett Meddow under y^e bridge formerly called the New bridge: This land thus grannted was formerly left for a high way of 16 rod but there being now noe necessity of such a highway that peece of land from y^e round hill all along Northward to y^e said brook is now granted to Samuell Holyoke reserving only two rod wide for a highway if there shalbe any need or occasion thereof.

Pelatih Morgan hath grannted unto him five or Six acres of land for a house lott beyond his fathers land w^{ch} is by the round hill vizt on the East side of the old brook w^{ch} runs out of y^e wett meddow: this land is to lye & soe to be laid out as not to p^rjudice a convenient high way to the Old clay pitts or place where y^e Old brick kilne was nor to hinder a high way out into the woods there. This grannt is on condition that Pelatih Morgan doe build or improve there wthin ffive yeeres, he haveing liberty grannted to build there accordingly.

William Brookes hath grannted unto him for conveniency of building a barne on y^e hill two or three acres of land on y^e West side of the way from his house lott at Chickuppe a litle above the gate going to y^e ffeild: providing he p^rjudice noe high way there needfull.

Major Pynchon hath granted unto him liberty to build on his land at or by or neere y^e Round Hill not to p^rjudice y^e way to the playne or y^e way towards Wm Branch his land.

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Granted to Lawrence Bliss 2 or 3 acres of Meddowish land on y^e North branch of the Mill River above his meddow bought of Rowland Stebbins: provided it be not granted to any other p'son.

Symon Bemon & Jeremy Horton have granted unto them 30 acres a peece of land ag^t y^e great Barr of the highest falls in y^e great River, on y^e East side of y^e River to be laid together in one peece provided the Indians be willing to sell y^e land & y^t they cleare y^e purchase thereof & y^t it proove to belong to this Township.

John Matthews hath 30 acres of land granted unto him at y^e swamp called Matthews his swamp.

Thomas Miller hath granted unto him 3 acres of land at Aschcanunsitt by his other land there provided it p^rjudice not the laying out of a high way to Westfield wth the most conveniency in y^e judgment of the Select Men or others appointed by them.

Thomas Mirrick hath granted unto him two or three acres of land meddowish land & Swamp by his land at 16 acres pvided it be not granted to any other p'son already:

Samuell Marshfield hath granted unto him fforty acres of land above or by his & W^m Brookes his land granted at the higher falls in y^e great River to be laid soe as not to hinder high wayes in most convenient places:

Granted to Cornelius Williams 2 acre or 2 & 1-2 of Meddow between y^e 4 Mile pond & Chickuppe River if soe much be there undisposed of.

Rice Bedortha hath granted unto him that ffive or Six acres of Wett Meddow or wett land w^{ch} was formerly granted to Joseph Crowfoote & by him resigned into y^e Townes hand. It lies about halfe a mile from his house uppon y^t brooke y^t comes out of y^e woods & runs by Edm: Prinridayes cellar:

John Stewart hath granted unto him three acres of Meddow neere the 4 mile pond in that Meddow where Cornelius Williams had some granted him if soe much be there undisposed of.

Nath Pritchard hath granted unto him ten acres of land

neere the foot path in y^e way to Watchuet not to hinder high wayes to those quarters in place most convenient.

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Leut Cooper granted unto him Sixteen acres of lowland on y^e most Southerly branch of the three mile brooke below his house about halfe a mile up y^t branch of the brook: Provided it be wthin this Townes bounds when the bounds are sett:

Granted to Ensigne Cooley w^t vacant land lyeth between the weere of his land in the Long Meddow & the fence where now it stands by the pond.

Serjant Stebbin hath granted unto him the dingle ag^t his meddow called Wheele meddow for 80 rod up the dingle & of the high land by the Northerly side of that dingle the Same length & 20 rod broad.

Theres granted unto Samuell Ely Six acres of the high land below Long meddow brooke neere y^e great River.

Richard Sikes hath granted unto him 2 or 3 acres of Wett meddow & low land on a little brook y^t runs into y^e Mill River about a mile above the saw mill if it be not already granted to some other.

Symon Bemon hath granted unto him five or 6 acres of swamp & low lands under y^e hill on y^e South side of his other land.

Symon Lobdell hath granted unto him 3 acres of wett meddoe neere or by Goodm: Thomas his meddow about 1-2 a mile from y^e Bay path: provided it be not disposed of already.

Eliakim Cooley hath granted unto him Six acres of wett meddow & low lands upon fresh water brooke below Pequitt path lying in 2 or 3 pcells provided it be not already otherwise granted & y^t it be disposable by this Towne:

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Thomas Stebbins Jun^r at y^e Gen^ll Town meeting ffebr 6, 71, hath by the Town granted unto him Six acres of land for a wood lott, to lye at y^e end of his fathers wood lotts w^{ch} lye by or neere the further end of the high way w^{ch} y^e new Causey over y^e meddow above Robert Ashley leads to: & he is to have & enjoy the wood upon this lott any order seeming notwthstanding to restrayne the same:

John Keepe hath at y^e Same Town meeting granted unto him 5 or 6 acres of the wett meddow by or behind the Long meddow if his form^r grant thereof be not found:

Feb 12 1671. John Holton hath granted unto Him Six acres of land by Pelatiah Morgans grant beyond y^e new bridge not to hinder high wayes in most convenient place: the wood thereon reserved according to Town Order ffebr: 7, 1670

Joseph Leonard hath granted unto him w^t vacant land lyes between W^m Warreners meddow in the Middle Meddow over Agawam River & Benj. Muns meddow in y^e next meddow: also much of y^e pond as lyeth ag^t W^m Warreners Meddow:

Samll Ball hath granted unto him Six acres of land at or neere y^e place where the old brick kilne was: not to p^rjudice high wayes in most convenient place: this grant is upon condition he come & inhabitt in this Town: the wood reserved according to Town Order:

Thomas Stebbin Jun^r hath granted unto him Six acres of land by or neere the grant of Danill Ball not to p^rjudice high-wayes the wood thereon reserved according to Towne Order in ffebr 7, 1670.

John Stewart hath granted unto him Six acres of land at or neere the reere of Major Pynchons upper wood lotts not to p^rjudice high wayes: the wood also reserved as above:

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Samuel Bliss Jun^r hath granted unto him 2 or 3 acres of meddow where he had a former grant in march 65-66: if there be Soe much there & on like condition as y^t former grant.

Also 3 acres more of wett meddow is granted unto him behind Long meddow below nathaneel Burts meddow.

And next to Samuell Bliss is granted to Obadiah Cooley Eliakim Cooley Isaac Colton & Ephraim Colton five acres a peece in y^t wett meddow if there be soe much undisposed they to agree, among y^mselves how to lye:

Charles ffery hath granted unto him fforty acres of land neere the Bay Path at or neere the two gutters w^{ch} are about

six miles from y^e town: provided y^t if it proove not purchased of the Flatwes he cleare y^e purchase & that it be disposable by the Towne:

Granted to Thomas Day 2 or 3 acres of land at Ashcanunk-sitt joyning to his owne Land there.

James Warener hath granted unto him twenty acres of land beyond block bridge on y^e west side of y^e great River next beyond John Pettyes Land there if it be not already granted to any other person

May 21: 1672 Richard Exell hath granted unto him Eight acres of Land to Joyne all along his land at Block bridge on the East side of that brooke:

Thomas Miller Junio^r hath granted unto him twenty acres of land by or neere his fathers land towards westfield not to hinder highwayes to be laid out in most convenient places:

William Warriner hath granted unto him what vacant land lyes between his land in y^e Middle Meddow & Joseph Leonards Late grant of pond Swamp if there be any such vacancy & y^t it was not his by former grant:

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Rice Bedortha hath granted unto him thirty Acres of land on the West side of the great River between y^e great pond & Samuell Ferreyes land above Chickuppe: And hereupon he resignes into the townes hand his 30 acres at ffrish water brooke.

Joseph Bedortha hath granted unto him twenty acres of land about 3-4 of a Mile beyond his fathers house westerly or norwesterly.

Joseph Leonard hath granted unto him the Swamp between Agawam River & his fathers land over y^t river (if it were not his fathers by former Grant or by purchase fro Thomas Mirick) provided noe highway there be p^rjudiced:

John Lamb hath granted unto him a highway of three or ffour rods wide from his land towards the town: viz^t his land by the great hill towards chickuppe beyond End Brooke:

At a Meeting of the Select men being all p^rsent. Select mens book of the dat here set Aug 20th 1672

Granted to Obadiah Miller Seaven acres of upland on y^e west side of his lott at Ashcanunksett to lye square all a long on y^e side of his land there viz^t the land w^{ch} he had of Rice Beldortha Also Eight Acres more is granted at y^e front of his land there, not to p^rjudice laying out highwayes in most convenient place.

Nath Pritchard hath Eight acres of land granted him at Cowseek on this side y^e brook ag^t his meddow there:

Granted to Anthony Dorchester Twenty acres of land of & about the dingle ag^t his Land at Cowseek brooke.

Also there is granted him what land is yet undisposed off in the farther meddow over Agawam River to y^e quantity of 2 or 3 acres lying at y^e South end of his own land & between the Land of John Leonard bought of samuell Marshfeild & y^e upland.

Nathaniel sikes & Victory Sikes have granted unto them 30 Acres of land by the Northerly side of their fathers land at cowseek brook yet not to p^rjudice passages that way where people used to goe in tyme of floods in the Great River when there is not convenient passage in y^e lower way over y^e bridge by reason of floods:

Obadiah Cooley hath granted unto him for conveniency of cellar roome Liberty of setting his fence 5 or 6 foot unto y^e way ag^t his house viz^t soe farr along y^e way as the cellar may extend if he shall so chuse to make a cellar by his house there: also liberty to run his fence fro his westerly corner of such cellar 2 rod askew to meet with his other fence by the way to y^e wharfe.

John Stewart having formerly agreem^t of three acres of wett meadow in y^t meddow where Cornelius Williams had a grant Soe much being not there to be had, theres granted him his three acres in a little strip or stripes between the meddow granted to Cornelius & Skipmuck viz^t westerly fro y^t meddow: on a gutter y^t runs into Chickupee river above Skeepmuck:

Thomas Day hath granted him ffoure acres of y^e Garden brook valley to lye along by his wood lott over y^e brook & at y^e reere of major Pynchon woodlott.

John Dorchester hath y^e remaynder of that wett meddow grannted him where Cornel: Williams had a grant.

Anthony Dorchester hath grannted unto him what land is yet undisposed of in y^e further meddow over Agawam river to the quantity of 2 or 3 acres lying at y^e Southward end of his own land & between the land y^t John Leonard bought of Samll Marshfeild & the upland.

Peter Swink hath grannted unto him 6 acres of land adjoining to his other land at block bridge:

Benjamin Mun Jun^r hath grannted unto him Six acres of land by his brother Balls grant at the old brick kilne to lay ali along his brothers land there not to p^rjudice high wayes in most convenient places:

Samuell Holyoke hath grannted unto him that peece of land w^{ch} lyeth between his former grant & the ditch fence of the feild: this grant is bounded by End brook Northwesterly y^e ditch by the high way northeasterly, the old brook y^t runs out of y^e meddowes South westerly & by Miles Morgans land Southeasterly:

Dec: 30th 1672. Nathaneel Burt hath grannted unto him ten acres of upland to lye joyning to y^e East end of his other ten acres (on the hill where he lives behind y^e Long meddow) & to run from brooke to brooke: provided it p^rjudice noe high way that may be laid out there: Upon this grant he allowes of a high way of One rod & halfe wide from y^e great River to y^e pond through his upper lott in y^e Long meddow, vizt on y^e upper side of his lott.

Also there is grannted unto him a little Strappet of land vizt low land between a quarter of an acre & halfe an acre lying on the West side of his wett meddow w^{ch} is on the West side of his swamp land behind the long meddow on condition y^t there be roome for a high way Six rodd broad when y^e Samll lotts in y^e Long Meddow have their full pportion:

Jan 1st, 1672. There is granted to the Neighbo^rs y^t live on the West side of the great River who ingage to sett up a saw mill neere block bridge 10 acres of land on that brook in y^e most convenient place for y^t work: provided it prejudice

noe mans propriety of land thereabout, & that they doe w^{thin} two yeeres from this tyme carrying on such a work there to effect.

Thomas Miller hath granted unto him about halfe an acre of land neere his celler at Ashkanuncksett to make his range for fencing a little straiter, provided it be noe hindrance for laying out a high way in most convenient place.

There is grannted to Charles fferry for conveniency of fencing ffour acres of land by his meddow (on the mill River) w^{ch} he bought of Nathaneel Ely.

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There is granted to John Keep ffoure acres of wet meddow at fresh water brook by his own meddow there. Recorded below.

There is granted to Samuell Holyoke ten acres of land between Robert Ashleyes wood lott & the wood lott of Thomas Stebbins Jun^r w^{ch} is by the old brick kilne:

There is granted to Nathaneel Burt that his first grant of 10 acres of land (where he lives behind y^e Long meddow) not yet measured shall run from brooke to brooke.

There is granted to Richard Excell 4 acres of land lying all along the South end of his lot at block bridge:

There is granted to John Bagg ten acres of land by his own land vizt a former grant above Chickuppe playne on y^e West side of the great River, not to p^rjudice y^e layinge out high wayes in most convenient places.

There is granted unto Nathaneel Burt Six acres of wett meddow in the great meddow above Pequitt path, provided it belong to this Township, & that it be free for this Towne to dispose of & that he pay the Indians purchase if not already paid, & that there be soe much undisposed already:

There is granted to Serjeant Stebbin Six acres of land lying at the reer of m^r Pynchons wood lotts (that were beyond the little wett Meddow of the said m^r Pynchon) & between m^r Pynchons further wood lott & Ju^o Stewarts wood lott.

Major Pynchon hath granted him 4 acres at Paucatuck towards Westfeild by Thomas Millers land there not to preju-

dice the laying out high wayes in most convenient places:

Also there is granted to the Major that little peece of land at the Southeast of the Round hill as far as Northerly side of the Causey vizt John Stewarts raile fence on his ditch: provided a high way be left of a rod & halfe wide in convenient place toward Goodm: Branch his land & the like for passage to y^e playne on y^e South side of the round hill, and that the way be not cumbered wth gates & bars:

Jonathan Burt hath granted unto him Six acres of meddow in the great Meddow above Pequit path on like condition as his brother Nathaneels grant of meddow there.

John Keepe hath ffoure acres of meddow granted to him on fresh water brook below Pequitt Path to joyn to his owne meddow on the hither branch of y^e brooke:

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Att a Towne Meeting ffebruary y^e 26th 1673, being a full meeting:

There is granted to John Holtun Samuell Terry Joseph Stebbin ten acres of land (to each of them) upon End brook about half a mile above y^e bridge y^t is over y^t brooke: John Holtun to chuse y^e place where his land shall lye yet not soe as to hinder but y^t y^e other two may lye wth as much conveniency as may be: Samull Terry to chuse next Joseph Stebbin last: Samuell Terryes grannt is partly in reference to a wood lott w^{ch} he sayth was due to him: The tymber & firewood of these lotts & of all other grannts made this day to be free for any till the lands are fenced:

Theres granted to Samuell Bliss jun^r 5 or 6 acres of upland or lowland and meddow at the lower end of the wet meddow below Nath: Burt behind Long meddow, there being as is said about an acre of wett meddow there yet undisposed of: to be laid soe as not to hinder high wayes in most convenient place for passage into the woods in y^e judgm^t of the Select men.

There is granted to Major Pynchon the wood land that is at the reere of his wood lotts which lye cross y^e little meadow and to run paralell in the reere wth his wood lotts & to

range Norwesterly wth y^e ditch y^t goes cross y^t little meddow.

Timothy Cooper hath granted unto him eight acres of land upon y^e swamp y^t is next beyond the brick kilne place over y^e Majors meddow & to joyn to the Majors wood lotts.

Major Pynchon hath soe much of the Pond over Agawam granted to him as lyes ag^t the reere of his meddow in y^e Middle meddow.

Jeremy Horton hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land in the birchen playn above Skeepmuck:

Richard Waite hath Twenty acres of land granted him some where about Obadiah Millers beyond block brooke.

Leint Cooper hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land in y^e playne on y^e West side of the great River opposite to the Long Meddow beginning at y^e little brooke y^t runs out of the pond into y^e River.

Thomas Cooper Jun^r hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land in y^e Said playne by or neere his fathers grant above mentioned.

Also theres granted him a small peell of land about 3 or 4 acres if there be soe much lying at y^e lower end of his fathers Tho. Cooper home lott; And betwixt the end of Goodm: Dorchesters land & the pine playne & joyning to his fathers land.

Obadiah Cooley hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land on the West Side of the great River to lye ag^t Goodm: Coultons house or thereabout.

Eliakim Cooley hath granted unto him Twenty acres of low land & Swamp on the West side of the great river a little above his fathers house:

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Ensigne Cooley hath granted unto him Six acres of land joyning to y^e South side of his other land y^t is neere his son Henry Chapins at Chickuppe, Only he is to allow the Inhabitants y^t doe or shall dwell there to fetch clay if they need at y^e usuall place.

Anthony Dorchester hath ten acres of land granted him on the Reere of Major Pynchons or Capt Hollyokes lotts w^{ch}

lye by y^e house Meddow not to p^rjudice high wayes in most convenient place.

Also John Dorchester hath ten acres granted him to joyne to his fathers grant: & on like conditions:

John Clark hath ten acres of land granted him at the West end of his fifteen acres on the West side of the great River ag^t y^e Long meddow provided there be soe much between his land & the highway.

Samuell Stebbins hath granted unto him Six acres of meddow at the great Meddow below Goodm: Coulton and Goodm: Cooleyes grants if soe much be there besides former grants & on like condition as Nath. Burts grant there w^{ch} is entered in page 179.

Serj: Stebbins hath granted unto him Twenty acres of land on y^e West side of the great River, ag^t Quart^m Coultons house or thereabout above Richard Sikes his land: not to prejudice high wayes in most convenient places.

Thomas Merrick hath granted unto him Ten acres of land on the West side of the great River & Southward from Agawam river below Goodm: Dorchesters land: not to p^rjudice high wayes.

Jonathan Burt hath granted unto him Ten acres of land on the West side of the great river & over ag^t y^e long meddow next to Serjeant Stebbins if form^r grants p^rvent not.

Symon Lobden hath Twenty acres of land granted him on the West of y^e great River ag^t y^e long Meddow next to Leint Coopers grant if form^r grants p^rvent not: All those grants that lye by the River are to run Westward to hill or Swamp or Pond that soe there be not too much wast: & they are not to p^rjudice high wayes to be laid in most convenient place.

David Morgan hath granted unto him that long slipe of land w^{ch} lyeth butting on y^e North side of the brook w^{ch} is at the head of the playne above End brook: vizt y^t Slipe of land w^{ch} is between the high hill & y^e River from y^e top of y^e hill.

Henry Chapin & Japhet Chapin have granted unto them Twenty acres apeece of Swamp & upland lying by the brook

y^t runs down by Nathaneel Elyes land at Chickuppe river not to p^rjudice high wayes w^{ch} are to lye in most convenient places:

Upon a motion made by Rowland Thomas it is both granted & ordered that a high way of Eight rod wide be laid fro [III—182.] Skeepmuck down to those houses y^t live neere Chickuppe Rivers mouth to be laid in place most convenient not to p^rjudice any mans propriety: And the said Rowland Thomas & Henry Chapin are to lay out y^e said high way.

Rowland Thomas hath granted unto him an addition of about One acre of land by his house at Skepnuck on this side the brooke, not to p^rjudice high wayes:

Japhet Chapin hath ffoure acres of land vizt his house lott at Chickuppe also y^e Side of the hill all along the North side of his lott there is granted him: provided these grants p^rjudice not high wayes w^{ch} are to lye in most convenient places.

Upon the motion of the Inhabitants there at Chickuppe It is Ordered y^t all the land in the valley between Japhet Chapins land & y^e River shall lye common perpetually.

It is ordered that all the comon land from the Reere of the Wood lotts over the Meddow Eastward to the Swampe or dingle called Squawtree dingle, & Soe from the head of that dingle down to Garden brook & from thence Southward to the Bay path & over the path Soe as to range even wth y^e head of the dingle y^t goes down to Goodm: Miricks wood lott: All the land wthin this compass vizt between Squaw tree dingle Eastward & the wood lots before y^e Town Westward & between the Bay path & over it as above South ward, & Garden brook & wood lotts of old grannted Northward is by the Towne now ordered to be reserved kept & appropriated for a Trayning place and Towne Comon & Soe to remayne perpetually & not otherwise at any tyme to be disposed of:

Charles Ferry hath granted unto him a corner of upland about three or ffoure acres joyning to his meddow at y^e Mill River; this for conveniency of fencinge:

Also there is granted him 10 acres between the Bay path & his land at the two gutters about Six miles from the Towne:

on like condition as his former grant there & that he p^rjudice not the high way.

There is granted to Jonathan Ashley ten acres of upland & Swampe on the brooke at y^e head of y^e playne about y^e 3 corner meddow:

There is granted to John Keepe ffive & Twenty acres upon y^e playne above Nathaneel Burts land & to joyne thereunto.

John Bagg hath granted unto him twelve acres of land upon the hill Westward from his house & twenty acres of land at the reere of his land in Chickuppe playne: not to prejudice high wayes in the most convenient places.

William Brookes hath granted unto him Twenty acres of lowland & swampe on the brook at the head of Chickuppe playne on y^e West side y^e great River on both sides y^e brooke not to prejudice high wayes in most convenient places: & 10 acres of upland Westerly from his house on like condition.

Isaack Morgan hath granted unto him ffoure or five acres of land Norwestward from End brook joyning to Goodm Lambs land in y^e Reere & bounded by the top of y^e great hill Eastward the highway Southward the Playne [11—183.] fence Westward: he is not to p^rjudice any former grant nor to hinder the Proprietors of the playne from coming on the land to mend their fences.

There's granted to John Lamb the land w^{ch} lyeth on the side of the hill ag^t his land on the playne that soe he may sett his fence on the top of the hill.

There's granted to Richard Barnard 4 or 5 acres of land on the right hand of the Bay path at the dirty gutter about 2 miles from y^e Towne: not to p^rjudice any former grant:

Theres granted to Nathaneel Sikes Nine or Ten acres of land at the upper end of Chickuppe playne on the West side of the great River above the brooke, next to y^e Lott w^{ch} is or was Joseph Crowfootes & to run from the brooke on y^e West to y^e great river on the East provided it be not disposed of already:

Abell Wright haveing 17 acres of land formerly granted him in Chickuppe playne w^{ch} he never had & therefore haveing liberty granted him to sute himself elsewhere: upon his desire the Town now doth grannt him Twenty acres of land at Skeepmuck on the North side of y^e River between y^e hill & the River in upper part of the playne above y^e brook w^{ch} is above Skeepmuck.

William Warrener hath Eight acres of land granted him on y^e Garden brook above John Sads grant: this grannt is to be laid out from y^e top of the hills or high land on both sides the brook.

James Warrener & John Hitchcock have granted to each of them Eight acres of land on Garden brooke above their father Warreners grant, from y^e brow of y^e hill on both sides the brooke.

Nathaniel Burt hath granted unto him fforty acres of land on the North side of the Longmeddow brook a boggy meadow being on the West side thereof & a dingle on y^e East.

John Matthews hath granted unto him Twelve acres of land on the North side of Mill River upward from the bridge: It is granted to lye Square.

Samuell Bliss Jun^r hath granted unto him Soe much of the pond as is ag^t his own land in the Long Meddow & a Strapp of land above an acre & halfe: provided the Indians be not hindered gathering pease in y^e pond:

Pelatah Morgan hath granted him what vacant land lyeth between his land above End brook & the Comon fence, he is not to hinder y^e Proprietors of the fence comeing on y^e land to mend their fences.

Henry Rogers hath granted unto him thirty acres of land up the great falls on y^e East side there Provided it belong to this Town & that he cleare the purchase thereof.

Samuell Holyoke hath granted unto him what land lyeth between his former grant towards y^e old brick kilne and Goodm: Ashleys wood lot excepting 6 rod wide from the Meddow into y^e woods for a high way.

Granted Isaak Morgan 20 acres of land at the Reere of his

fathers lot at Chickuppe provided it prejudice noe former [111—184.] grant.

There is granted unto Thomas Bancroft fifty acres of land towards & neere Westfeild bounds in reference to []

At the gen^{ll} Town Meeting on y^e 2^d of febr 1674:

There was granted Severall grantes of land to Severall p^{rs}ons of this Towne &c.

Imprimis there is granted to Serjant Stebbins fforty acres of Upland ten acres of Swamp & ten acres of Meddow below the brook called fresh water brooke:

Joseph Crowfoote hath granted unto him twenty acres of land by Chickuppe river above Henry Chapins land there.

Granted to James Taylor fforty acres of land neer Southfeild bounds.

Granted to John Dumbleton Jun^r & Thomas Cooper Jun^r & Benjamin Leonard to each of them fforty acres of land neere Southfeild bounds.

Jonathan Burt hath confirmed unto him his former grant of land below freshwater brook w^{ch} he resigned into the Townes hand, or elce to lye by Serj: Stebbins grant there:

Granted to Ephraim Coulton ffourty acres of land there.

Also theres Granted to John Keep fforty acres of land there.

Also theres granted to David Wheeler of Rowley (who hath a desire to remoove to this Town) a parcell of land lying on the West side of Connecticut River & joyning to the Southward Side of three mile brook below Leint Coopers & to border Southward on Southfeild bounds & in breadth to extend to y^e high way to Southfeild allowing also that the said way be laid a little more Westerly w^{ch} by it is said the way will lye straiter to the great hill:

Also theres Granted to y^e S^d Wheeler a little meddow containing five or six acres more or less, below Leint Coopers the whole peece being granted unto him: These grannts are on Condition that he come & settle in this Town & continue here five yeere.

Granted to Obadiah Miller Seaven acres of land by or neere his land beyond block bridge on condition he grantt Samuel Marshfeild a way cross his land.

Granted to Lazarus Miller thirty acres of land as neere his fathers land as he can fynd it convenient.

Granted to Rice Bedortha Seaven or Eight acres of land at the reere of his lott.

All these grants are on Condition that they hinder not laying out high wayes in most convenient place or places:

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[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

At a genll Town Meeting ffebr: 6th: 1676.

There were made sev'l grants of land to Sev'ral persons, haveing these conditions: 1. Highwayes not to be p^rjudiced by these grants. 2ly The Grantees are to continue (5) Five yeers in the Town after y^e Land granted is measured. 3ly. former Grantees are first to be fenced:

Impr: Granted to Isach Morgan a p^rcel of land at y^e Head of y^e plaine upon y^e little brooke between Jonathan Ashley's land & y^e fence w^{ch} land is about two or three Acres.

Granted Henry Rogers 30 Acres of land lying in y^e Swamp or low land a place called Mednegonuck. Resigned up to y^e Town ffebr: y^e 1st 1680.

Granted to David Throw 30 Acres of land on y^e West side of y^e River on y^e northwesterly side of y^e land of Jn^o Petty at Block bridge.

Granted to Jn^o Barber that land y^t was his Brother Samll Barber his land, & two or three acres more adjoyning it.

Granted to Abel Leonard 30 Acres of land, lying upon y^e Branch of y^e Saw-mil brook, or neer to it South of Agawam River.

Granted to Josiah Leonard 30 Acres of land, Lying upon the branch of y^e Sawmil brooke, or neer to it.

Granted to Obadiah Miller five or 6 acres of land adjoyning to his land going to Westfeild.

Granted to Joseph Bedortha two or three Acres of Land at y^e Reere of his fathers lot at Chickuppe.

Granted to Joseph Stebbin a peice of land of about one Acre & a halfe lying upon the corner medow brooke between his own Land, & y^e Land of Benjamin Mun.

Granted to Victory Sikes Ten Acres of land by his fathers wood lot over y^e Mil River

Granted to James Stevenson 6 Acres at y^e Reer of Leint Coopers & Thos: Cooper Juniors Land provided this hinder not a former grant of four Acres to Joseph Crowfoot w^{ch} is to be first served, which 4 Acres he sold to Major Pynchon.

At a Town meeting May 2^d, 1677: M^r Dan^l Denton had a grant of 40 acres of Land: Se page 92 of this booke.

Jan^r 6th 1678. At a Town meeting:

There was granted to Jonathan Burt Sen^r a peice of Land lying over the Country Bridge at y^e lower end of Long medow about 10 rod eastward fro y^e bridge 12 or 15 Acres more or Less. if he can find so much there: provided it p^rjudice no high way.

Also y^r was granted to John Bag two acres more or less, for an home lot lying next above Peter Swink, fro the east side of the new high way twelve rod in breadth, Length to y^e gr^t River, provided It p^rjudice no high way: but this grant being considered at a Gen^l Town meeting (Feb: 4, 1678) was found very p^rjudicial to the high way there, & contrary to a former order of the Town (Ano 74) that this land should lye Comon, was declared to be void (as it was in reallity before) but at y^e said meeting the Town did vote to give him instead y^rof some other parcel as he should find in convenient place:

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At a Gen^l Town meeting Febr. y^e 4th 1678

There were made sev^ral Grants of Lands to sev^ral persons &c

Imp^r: Granted to m^r Dan^l Denton 10 Acres of Land more or lesse lying upon Garden Brooke at the mouth of Squaw tree dingle between Thomas Days & James Warreners Land, as also that he have y^e wood as his own Propriety provided he continue in the Town five yeers.

Imp^r: Granted to m^r Dan^l Denton 10 Acres of Land more or less, lying upon Garden Brooke, at the mouth of Squaw

tree dingle between Thomas Days & James Warreners, as also that he have y^e wood as his own Propriety, provided he continue in the Town five yeers.

There is granted to Benjamin Knowlton to have forty acres over Agawam below James Stevensons grant there.

Granted to Jonathan Burt Sen^r the land & the Pond at the Rerr of his mothers Lot at Long medow, the whole breadth of the Lot up to the hil, as others have granted unto them.

Rolland Thomas hath liberty granted to him to Change his twelve acres grant at Stony Brooke towards Hadley for Land as he shal find elsewhere.

There is like liberty granted to Benjamin Parsons & also to Abell Wright to change their ten acres Grants at the said Stony brooke for other Lands as they shal find.

There is granted to Nathanll Sikes twelve Acres of medow & low land adjoining on both sides his fathers Grant of three acres above the Saw mil on the East side the great River, & on the South side of the said Saw mil River.

There is granted to Increase Sikes twenty Acres of upland at little Whatchnet, on the South west side of the medow there.

There is granted to W^m Brooke forty Acres of Land below Agawam towards Westfeld, about a mile from Agawam River on hil lying on the West side thereof, & a Swamp on the East side

There is granted to Jn^o Dorchester four acres of Upland on the West side of the boggy medow over Agawam, by the land he bought of Samuel Marshfeild.

There is granted to Jn^o Scott thirty acres of medowish or low land and Swamp below the Saw mil below Thomas Coopers land there.

There is also granted to Charles Ferry ten acres, to adjoyne to his lands at Freshwater River, provided it hinder no lots there.

Philip Mattoon hath Liberty granted him to set up a building or dwelling house in the Street at the upper end of James Dorchesters fence, on the East of the Town street.

It is henceforth ordered that no Person shal have any grants of lands given to y^m on the same day or first day they motion for y^e same; but that, as they would have y^r grants valid, y^e shal at one Town Meeting propound their desires for the Town Lands, or for Lands the Town hath to give that y^e Town may consider thereof, & at any after Town meeting their grants they may have made to them shalbe accounted regular & valid.

Thus David Morgan makes a motion to the Town that for his conveniency of fencing the west side of his homelot he may have [111—187.] liberty to run his fence about halfe way down the banke the whole length of his home lot.

Nathaneel Burt also desires that his grant below Long medow brook may extend out another smal Brooke Southward to the hil & that he may have an addition of ten acres, that may be of like extent:

Japhet Chapin Jun^o Hitchcocke wth their Copartners for a Sawmil at Schenunگونuck do move that they maye have five acres on the top of the Hil there, for the use of their sawmill.

Whereas there was a vote passed That Samll Marshfield & Nathaull Burt, should be appointed to veiw that tract of land where Jonathan Burt Sen^r had a grant to se whether or noe, there might not be a convenient passage high way or out let for Cattle, not wthstanding this grant. They returne this answer upon their veiw thereof that they Judge there may in that high way of ten rod broad w^{ch} they have now laid out there.

At a Town meeting Aug: 4th. 1679.

Japhet Chapin Jun^o Hitchcocke &c having moved at a former meeting to have a parcel of Land at Schonunگونucke for to accomodate them for the use of a Sawmill. At this meeting It is granted them to have six acres on the top of the Hil & the low land there, w^{ch} grant is to them as they set up a sawmill there & their partners worke.

Jun^o Dorchester at this meeting moves that he may have liberty to exchange his twenty acres of Land on the plaine below Thomas Coopers Land, for twenty acres of land below

Benjamin Knowltons grant In the plaine about over against Ensigne Coopers house:

Abel Leonard & Josias Leonard moved to have a grant of boggy medow something better than a mile west fro their fathers homestead over agawam w^{ch} medow lyes in two places

At the Gen^l Town Meeting: Febr: 3^d: 1679.

At this meeting several desires of several persons for Land at the Two former meetings propounded, were now granted to them. Also At this meeting there were divers motions or desires propounded by divers persons to have lands granted to them: 1. The Lands formerly desired, & now granted are as follows:

To David morgan his motion made febr: 4th: 78, is granted to him provided the land be not the land of Rolland Thomas, but the Towns Land to grant, & In case it prove not prejudicial for y^e watering of Cattle or otherwayes to passages, or if it do, In case he doe remove his fence upon sufficient warning given him by the Select men.

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Also Nathaneel Burt his desire to the Town Febr: 4th: 1678 to have his former grant below long medow brooke extend over another smal brooke southward to y^e hil, & an Addition of Ten Acres added to be of like extent below the said Long medow Brooke, is now granted to him. Se backward meeting Febr: 4: 1678.

Also Jn^o Dorchesters motion for exchange of Land made Aug: 4th: 1679 is now accepted.

The Desires of Abel & Josiah Leonard made Aug: 4th 1679; are granted so far as that they may have three Acres P peice:

At this meeting the Town being desirous to accomodate the poor widow Beamon wth some Land to set an house upon, did appoint & order that the Two Deacons wth Samll Marshfeild, should veiw the Towns high wayes & Commons, to see where they may wth most conveniency to her & lest inconveniency to the high wayes & Passages Pay to her about a quarter of Acre to set a building upon, & accordingly to set out to

her so much or to treat wth Jn^o Holyoke for a peice of his Land, & to buy or purchase it of him If he likes to sel:

2. Here follows the propositions of Divers persons their minds for Lands in order to have y^r grants regular at another meeting.

Samuel Stebbins haveing Ten acres on the North side of wheel medow Dingle, Desires to Exchange it, for the like quantity on the South side of the said Dingle:

James Sikes that he may have y^e Liberty to translate the high way, fro the valley to y^e brow of the hillock over the mill Ricer, w^{ch} is something toward the Foot or bottom of the great hil, provided he p^rjudice not the highway, & stub up the bushes or clear the land sufficiently for a new high way. The Town hath granted his desires Febr: 1st, 1680.

Nathaniell Burt desires 20 acres of Land, on the South side of Wheel medow Dingle:

Jn^o Blisse moves to have twenty acres of Land below the Second Dingle at or neer Ensigne Cooleys house.

Charles Ferry moves that he may Exchange his Land of 40 acres about six miles off, lying on the bay path, for forty acres ag^t whatchuet hil, neer Nathaneel Pritchard his Land. This granted Febr: y^e 1st, 1680.

Deacon Benja: Parsons have already had Liberty touching his grant of Ten acres at Stony Brooke for Ten acres where he can find it, Desires now that he may have 20 acres to adjoyne easterly to his Land at Dirty Gutter: on y^e right hand of y^e way going to Watchoge.

Thomas Mirricke Samuel Bal, Tho: Stebbin Jun^r: Victory Sikes & Joseph Stebbin propounded that the Town would give to y^m a smal Tract of Land, viz: about 5 or six acres of Land, at the falls at Sixteen acres, on the South branch of the mil River, for the setting up of a Saw mil, as also liberty of timber. This granted on the first of Febr: 1680. Also the Stream for y^e mill.

[In the handwriting of Daniel Denton.]

Febr: 10th, 1679. This Day: The Two Deacons wth Samuel Marshfield appointed a Comittee to veiw the Townes high

wayes & Comons where the Town might relieve the widow Beamon wth a plat of ground to build, & also to lay out to her about a Quarter of an Acre for that purpose. Do make this Returne: [III—189.] That they have veiwed according to their best discretion, and have laid out a peice of Land of y^e Townes high way at the upper end of the Towne, containing a Quarter of an Acre & Two Rods, Lying & being on the front of Leiut: Stebbins his medow, Three Rods & halfe in breadth, & Twelve Rod in Length, w^{ch} at the South end is bounded by a black Oake Tree in or near the Line between the said Leiut Stebbin, & Robert Ashley, & thence runs Northward the Twelve Rod:

At y^e Genll Town meeting held febr: y^e 1st 1680.

Granted by y^e Town unto John Dorchester the stream upon y^e three mile brooke over Agawam River below the Saw mill near y^e mouth of the brooke to set a ffullin mill upon: ffurther he desired a piece of ground in the sayd place.

Japhet Chapin desired to exchange 20 Acres of land at hogpen-dingle for Ten Acres of land on y^e Southside of his home lot at Chaekabee. Granted March 13: 1680-1

Rowland Thomas for his sons Joseph and Benjamin about an Acre of land at Skipmuck on y^e top of y^e hill betwixt y^e brooke & Jeremiah Hortons barn: Granted August y^e 12th 1681:

Rowland Thomas desired to exchange his twelve Acres of medow upon Stony brooke toward Hadley for Twelve Acres of medow on y^e brooke a mile above Skipmuck:

Rice Bedortha desired to exchange y^e 20 Acres of land grannted on y^e west side of his former graunt at block bridge for 20 Acres lying on y^e East side of his former graunt:

Jonathan Burt Junior & John Burt desired a piece of wet Swamp land of twenty Acres about half a mile beyond small brooke & also leave to drean it where it may bee most easily done. David Morgan desired y^e town to grant him Ten Acres of land on y^e other side Chickabee River near or adjoining unto Abell Whrites land or neck.

Obadiah Cooly desired y^e Town would give him four foot

of y^e high way y^t goeth to y^e mill & hee will give y^e Town that piece y^t is at y^e turning of y^e fence which hee left out: 3 foot granted him by y^e town upon y^e above conditions. his Muxie Medow over Agawam River.

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At a Town meeting August y^e 12th 1681.

Rich: Barnerd propounded to y^e town for a grant of 10 Acres of land upon pokousick w^{ch} hee sayd was formerly granted him but not recorded.

At a Town Meeting August y^e 24th 1681. Legally warned.

Granted to Rich: Bernard the Ten Acres of land which hee desired y^e last Meeting above mentioned.

Granted to Jonathan Burt junior & John Burt y^e swamp land of twenty acres propounded on February y^e 1st 1680

Thomas Cooper propounded for 2 or 3 Acres of upland by his Muxie Medow over Agawam River.

Increase Sykes propounded for 10 Acres of upland by little Watchoage. This grant to Inc: Sikes Febr: 7: 1681.

James Warriner propounded for 3 or four Acres by way of exchange for some medow y^t lyes higher on y^t lyes on y^e 16 Acre brook:

John Hitchcock propounded for 6 Acres of Meadow that his brother Luke propounded for y^e last Meeting if y^e Town doe not see cause to give it Luke. It lies on y^e East side of y^e Mountain betwixt Agawam & Westfeild.

Abell Leanord desires y^e Grant of eight Acres of meadow y^t lies a mile or mile & half of Suffield bounds on y^e east side of y^e Mountain: Granted Jan'y y^e 6th 1681.

James Steevenson moves for y^e Grant of 8 Acres of meadow lying upon Scantuck on y^e side of y^e mountains: Not granted.

Joseph Leonard moves for 4 Acres of medow by y^e side of y^e great pond at y^e head of muddy brooke. Granted to him January y^e 6th 1681.

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At a Town Meeting January y^e 6th 1681.

Lieutenant Stebbins Rowland Thomas and John Hitchcock

appointed by y^e Town to view y^e land & Meadows at Massaconus Mountains & Skantuck and make a report thereof to y^e Town w^{ch} they promise to doe at their own charge. And y^e granting of any lands there is respited till y^t bee done.

Nathaneel Pritchett desires y^t the town would bee pleased to give so much of y^e pond in y^e Long Meadow as lies against his own land which hee thinks was formerly given him but he can find no Record of it:

John Harmon also desires so much of y^e pond as lies against his land at Long Meadow.

The Town at this Meeting did graunt y^e desires both of Nathaneell pritchett & John Hermon owning a fformer graunt made to y^m & all others y^t have land in long Meadow butting against y^e pond to have Soe much of y^e pond as doth lie against there lands:

Luke Hitchok at a former meeting desired of y^e town a graunt of 6 Acres of Meadow that lies on y^e east side of y^e Mountain betwixt Agawam & Westfield which at y^e Meeting was granted unto him upon condition y^e land bee free & not formerly granted: Upon y^e same conditions is all other graunts graunted y^t lie thereabouts near y^e bounds of Sutfield & Westfield:

Jonathan Burt Junior desires 10 Acres of land below wheel meadow dingle:

Sammell Bliss Junior desires 10 Acres of land below wheel meadow dingle & 10 Acres of land upon long meadow brooke. [III—192.]

[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

Febr: 7: 1681: At y^e Genll Town meeting.

At this meeting Liberty was granted to Jn^o Dorchester to set up a Corne Mill within the terme of space of three yeers upon the Streame formerly granted him upon Three Mile Brooke below Agawam provided it p^rjudice not the worshippl Major Pynchon in any granted priviledge for his corne mil: nor any other Person in their Grants of Land there & he promising and taking but a sixteenth part of a bushel for his toll.

Eliakim Cooley desires a smal peice of medow about Two or three Acres about half a mile below Jn^o Matthews his swamp upon consideration of a grant taken fro him at Freshwater, for which hath paid Rates 8 or 9 yeeres, & now is disposed of the greatest part thereof. Granted March 13, 1681-2

Thomas Miller desires Ten Acres of meadow about 4 miles fro: Thomas Coopers house In that meddow where Timothy Cooper & Japhet Chapin had a grant. Granted March 13, 1681-2

Jonathan Bal desires Twelve or fourteen acres of medow in the same place wth Thomas Miler.

James Stevenson desires Ten Acres of Swamp & Pond that lyes on the west side the River between his Two former Grants. This was granted to James Stevenson March 13, 1681-2.

At a Town meeting: March 13: 1681-2

Samuel Stebbin did move for to have the Pond y^t lyes at the reer of Lot or house lot in Longmedow.

At this meeting Japhet Chapin desires propounded Feb^r 1st 1680 to Exchange Land at hog pen dingle for Land at the South side of his house Lot at Chickupi was granted.

At a Town meeting: Jan: 5: 1682.

Deacon Benjamin Parsons having Divers yeeres since the grant of a parcel of Land in or at grap Swamp in Long medow, & it appearing that there was a failure in not recording said Grant: the said Benjamin Parsons doth desire the renual or Confirmation of the said Grant at grap Swamp, & the Town see good cause so to doe: It appearing that he hath been rated divers yeeres for the same Land.

At the gen^l Town Meeting: Febr: 6: 1682:

Jonathan Burt Junior his motions for Ten acres of Land below wheel Medow was granted at this meeting: that motion was Jan: 6, 1681:

At this meeting the Town did Grant m^r Danll Denton power to alienate or convey away the Ten acres granted to him upon Garden Brooke which they granted him Febr: 4th 1678, although he fulfilled not y^e condition of s^d Grant.

At this meeting the Town did renew & confirm to Quartrm^r Colton & to Ensign Ben: Cooley their former Grant in the Grap Swamp against the Smal Lotts in Long medow: [III—193.]

Likewise the Town did renew & confirm to James Osborne his fathers grant in the same Grap Swamp lying against the Smal Lotts there in Longmedow.

Nathnll Burt desires that the Town would Exchange wth him Ten acres of Land on the south side of wheel Medow, about the Reer of his Eighteen acre lot there, for Ten acres of land on the North side of Long medow brooke:

The Town did ratify & confirme to the Worppll Major Jn^o Pynchon Esq the medow & up Land he bought of Jn^o Baker once of this Town, which is on the west side the great River, & lyes neer upon the bounds of the Town of Suffeild: to the Town.

John Barber & Jn^o Scott of Suffeild p^rsent at this meeting & desiring satisfaction for that Two rods of breadth that is taken out of their homelots on the West side the River to enlarge the New high way Layd out there, divers yeeres since granted to be Laid out; by way of recompense the Town did grant them Twenty five acres of Land P piece below & adjoining to three mile brooke on West side of y^e great River & next to y^e grt River. Se page 102:

Benja: Knowlton desires to exchange Ten acres of Land below Agawam for Ten Acres on this side the River:

Nathanneel Pritchard doth relinquish or give back to the Town the Grant of eight acres of Land unto him towards Pacowseeke:

January 2^d, 1683: Registered by John Holyoke, Record^r to the Town.

The Worshipll Major Pynchon Esq doth surrender to the Town al that large grant of Land Nov. 21: Anno Domini 1654 beyond Schonungonucke, & upe to the head of wallamanskepe, & also Eastward to the brooke that Runs into Skeepmuck River.

Jan. 14: 1683: Registered by Jn^o Holyoke, Record^r or Clerk for the Town.

ffor the grant of the abovesd surrendered Tract Se the first Town booke.

Att a Genll Town Meeting Febr: 5th. 1683.

Henry Chapin doth Motion for an Exchange of his 20 acre Grant at Hog-pen-dingle, for 16 acres or thereabouts of Land to the South of his house at Chickupi, & to adjoine to the South side of his father Cooley's there:

And Abel Wright doeth move to have the Town grant the said 20 acres that Henry Chapin desires as above to exchange to be granted to him.

Samll Blisse Jun^r desires the grant of Twentie acres of Low Land, & other Land to said Quantity upon Long Meadow Brooke, beyond barke hal, on both sides of the brooke:

Josias Leonard desires a Grant of about four acres of boggy medow on the North side of John Dorchesters medow, below Agawam & on the upper end of it.

Luke Hitchcocke desires an Addition of about Two acres of medow to his Grant (Jan: 1681) neer to Suffeild bounds.

Samuel Jones desires an Addition of about Two or Three acres to his [111—194.] Land Lying Northward of the fence of the Genll feild on the West of the grt River, & at the foot of the hill.

Joseph Bedortha desires about Two acres more or less of Land on the North side of the Genll feild:

At this meeting Nathanaell Burt his motion (Febr. 6th. Ano 1682) for exchange of Ten acres is granted to him:

Also Benjamin Knowltons desire of exchange of Ten acres (Feb. 6: 1682.) is granted to him:

Also a grant to Jonathan Morgan of about Two or Three acres more or lesse of Swanpy & low land adjoyning to his land at head of the plain & Lying under the hills formerly given him, but not recorded to him was renewed to him at this meeting:

At a Town Meeting: March 14: 83-84:

There was granted to Luke Hitchcocke his motion to the Town Febr 5th 1683, for an addition of Two acres of medow to Ly to his Grant (Jan. 6, 81) neer to Suffeild bounds.

Also Henry Chapin's motion of exchange of his Twenty acres grant at hog pen dingle for 16 acres y^rabouts to the South of his house at Chickuppi is now accepted of. Se Records Febr. 5. 83:

Also Abel Wrights motion (Febr: 5: 83: to have the 20 Acres Henry Chapin Exchanged is granted him.

The Proprietors of meadow at Pacowseeke desire to have the nookes of Upland adjoining to their meadows there to be granted to them up to the browes of the hills, for the more conveniency of fencing their divers portions of Meadow there.

Increase Sikes & Nathaneel Sikes desire the Towne to grant them forty acres P^eice of Land on the west side of the great River below Agawam about the dirty Gutter below John Dorchesters house, joining to a Parcel of land of Ju^o Dorchesters there.

Dec: 23, 1684. At a Town Meeting.

Samll Bliss Junior his motion for Twentie acres Feb. 5, 1683 is granted unto him.

Increase Sikes & Nathaneel Sikes there desire for 40 acres of Land P^eice (at the meeting march 14. 83-84) is now granted to them.

At this meeting Luke Hitchcocke did motion that the Town would grant him about Thirty acres of Land below Ju^o Dorchesters house & neer some other land that he hath grant of:

Charles Ferry Sen^r doth desire of the Town that the high way that Leads to Long meadow thorow his Land may be Laid out by the River ag^t his land that he may be more capable to Improve s^d Land.

Thomas Tailor desires that the Town grant Thirty acres of land at the Slough below Thomas Coopers.

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Edward Allyn desires the Town to grant him Twenty acres of Land adjoining to Thomas Cooper on the South side of his Land.

At this meeting the Town haveing appointed Two Persons to state the high way at the mil River (for w^{ch} see page

119 of this booke) they did give to Thomas Sweetman the Remainder of the Land, be it more or less what may be there Resigned up to the Town by the Worshipful Major Pynchon Esq (Se p. 120) he said Tho: Sweetman continuing five yeeres in the Town [] & the Town did now at this meeting vote & conclude for this time & turne because they would accommodate themselves wth such a tradesman as he is (viz a dresser of Leather) to dispense wth that order (Febr. 4: 1678) that grants of Land should not be valid that were propounded & granted at one & the same meeting.

Att a Town Meeting, Jan. 22: 1684.

Samll Stebbins desires the Town would grant him 20 acres of Land where he can find on Long medow Brooke.

Jn^o Barber Sen^r of Suffeild desires of The Town 30 of 40 acres of Land over Agawam River a little of Thomas Coopers house.

Samll Buss Samuel Lane, Jn^o Remington desire 20 acres of Land apeice about the Slough below Thomas Coopers house.

Feb: 3^d: 1684, at a Town meeting.

At this meeting The Town Granted Jn^o Barber Sen^r of Suffeild his desire heirs and Assignes for ever his desire at y^e Meeting of the Town: Jan: 22: 1684: viz: to have 40 acres of Land below Thomas Coopers house ov^r Agawam River, provided the s^d Jolm Barber come to this Town, & continue y^r 5 yeeres, & he is allowed an Inhabitant:

Also Edward Allyn desire p^ounded at the Meeting Dec: 23^d of This Town Ano: 1684: To have a grant of 20 acres of Land adjoining to Tho: Coopers on the south side of his land over Agawam River is now granted to him and to heires & Assignes for ever provided s^d Edward Allyn continue 5 yeeres In the Towne:

Also Luke Hitchcockes motion Dec: 23: 1684 is at this meeting granted to him his heires & Assignes for ever.

Charles Ferrey renewed his desire made at the meeting Dec. 23, 1684: & the Town appointed Nathll Burt Sen^r: & Nathll Blisse to go up the place, & veiw whether his motion

may not be inconvenient for the Country Rhode & to make Report to the Town how they find:

November 27: 1685: At a Town meeting.

Joseph Marques doth desire the Towne to Grant him 30 acres of Upland six or seven acres of medow above Chick-uppi River, if he can find any such Land undisposed of:

At a Town Meeting Jan: 7th: 1685.

Victory Sikes desires a peice of Swamp & Low Land viz: about an acre lying about a quarter of a Mile Westward from Fylers Brooke, also he desires of the Town about an acre & halfe of medow on the said Brooke, also he desires of the Town Ten acres of upland lying Eastward of the Tailors Land near Suffield bounds.

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John Barber desires the Town would give him Ten acres of Land Low Land or Swamp at the Reer of Thomas Coopers Lot: granted the next meeting.

Abel Wright desires liberty of the Town to set his fence upon the Second Brow of the Hil that lyes by the Land he hath broken up on the other side of Schonungonucke w^{ch} wil take in about two or three acres of Land: Granted 5 acres more or less at the next meeting.

Benjamin Leonard desires of the Town to exchange Twenty acres of Land that lyeth up the Saw mil Brooke below Agawam for Twenty acres about halfe a mile above Joseph Leonards house: Granted Febr. 2, 1685:

Symon Gowin desires the Town would give him that peice of Land that was given to Edw^d Allin next to Tho: Coopers Land: Granted Febr. 2, 85.

Samuel & Jonathan Tailor desire the Town would Exchange 30 acres of Land of theirs w^{ch} is at Askanunckseeke for Thirty acres on the South side of Agawam River: & on the East side of his feild or on both sides of his feild y^r This was granted to said Tailors May 19: 1693:

John Scot desires The Town would allow him the Liberty to take up his Twenty five acres grant for the high way on the West side the River & a former Grant of Thirty acres both together in some Convenient place that he shal find.

There is granted to Jun^r Barber his heires & Assignes for ever, the Ten acres he propounded for at the Last meeting.

There is granted to Abel Wright his heires & Assignes for ever the Land he desired at the form^r Meeting to y^e Quantity of four or five acres more or less.

There is granted to Benja: Leonard his desired exchange (Janu: 7: 85) to be to him his heires & Assignes for ever.

There is granted to Symon Gowin his desires p^oounded (Febr: 2, 85) to be to him his heires & Assignes for ever, p^ovided he continue five yeeres in The Towne, & if he goe away not improving said granted Land, he is yⁿ to return it again to the Towne:

There is Granted Joseph Markes his heires & Assignes for ever his desires Nov. 27: 85: viz: to have forty acres above west Chicpupi: & west of Samll Terreyes Medow, he continuing five yeeres in the Towne.

Thomas Day Jun^r John Burt & Henry Burt desires the Town to give Each of them Ten acres of Low Land on Pawseeke Brooke, betweene Jonathan Burt & Nathll Pritchards Land on that Brooke. Se meeting Februry 1, 86.

Benjamin Knowlton desires a grant of a little Strappet of Land on y^e North side of Garden Brooke, to joyne to his Land there: Se meeting Febr: 1: 1686.

At a Town meeting January 12: 1686.

At this meeting al the following persons propounded their desires for land viz:

The worshipll Jun^r Pynchon desires five acres in the new feild about to be taken in over Agawam River where his fence is about to be for an outlet.

The Rev^d M^r Pelatiah Glover desires fifty or sixty acres & in the said intended New feild: as also thirty or forty acres of wet Pondy Land at poor brooke or what is then undisposed of.

Symon Gowin desires Twenty acres in the intended new feild.

John Mirrick desires Twenty acres in the Intended new feild.

John Holyoke desires for an out let or passage out of said feild four or five acres.

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John Barber desires a little Strappet of Land about two or three acres from his Land to the fence, in the Intended new feild.

James Stevenson desires for an homelot five acres in the said Intended new feild.

Thomas Cooper desires six acres in s^d Intended feild in leiu of meddow Land that he wants.

Deacon Jonathan Burt desires five acres in said new feild if it be to be had by the River side adjoining to his Land there.

John Dorchester desires five or six acres wthin or wthout said intended feild:

Joseph Ely desires four or five acres of Land to be granted to him about End brooke or three corner medow brooke.

Nathaneel Mun desires four or five acres about three Corner medow brooke.

Thomas Dewey of Westfeild desires the Town to Grant him four or five score acres of land Upland & Swamp that lyes adjoining to his purchase of Land at or neer the line between Springfeild & Westfeild, If that the Towne would grant him for some small purchase this his desire.

At a General Town Meeting Febr: 1st: 1686:

At this Meeting Tho: Day, John Burt & Henry Burt have their desire propounded to y^e Town Feb: 2^d: 1685 now granted to y^m, viz: Ten acres apeice of Low Land on Pacowseeke brooke between Jonathan Burts & Nathaull Pritchards Land on y^t brooke if it be there to be had.

also Benjamin Knowlton hath his desire febr: 2^d: 1685 granted to y^e quantity of about Ten acres more or lesse:

Also at this meeting the Town granted the motions of the Divers Persons propounded to the Town Jan: 12: 1686: as follows:

The Town Grants the Worshp^{ll} Major Pynchon Esq five acres in the intended new feild over Agawam River, for an outlet of s^d feild w^r his fence shalbe:

The Town grants the Reverend m^r Gløver forty acres in the said Intended new feild over Agawam, & if it be not to be had al in the feild, then to be made up that number of acres without the feild: Se the ninth grant forw^d on this page:

Also they grant to Jonathan Burt Sen^r as he motioned (Jan. 12: 86.)

They grant to Thomas Cooper his desire viz: (as Jan: 12: 1686.) Six acres in the new intended feild.

They grant to James Stevenson 5 acres for an homelot.

John Barber hath granted him a little Strap of Land about Two or Three acres to ly from his Land to the fence.

Symon Gowin hath granted him Ten acres wthin the feild & fences wthout the feild.

John Miricke hath granted him Twenty acres if it be had wthin this said feild.

John Dorchester hath granted him five or six Acres wthout the s^d feild. Se meeting Jan. 12: 86.

The Rev^d m^r Pelatiah Glover hath granted him Thirty or forty acres of wet Pondy or Low Land at poor brooke, or Skipmuck brooke.

Also the Rev^d m^r Pelatiah Glover doth desire the Town would grant him what Land is undisposed of at Watchuet, as also that the Town would grant him what they can at or of the Pondy Land, South of Agawam towards Westfeild.

Jonathan Ely hath granted him foure or five acres about three corner medow Brook or neer the old brick kilne if it be there to be had.

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Nathaneel Mun also hath four or five acres granted him about 3 corner medow brooke or neer the old brick kilne if it be there to be had.

And whereas Thomas Dewey Sen^r of Westfeild did motion that the Town would give him a tract of land South of Agawam towards Westfeild Se Meeting Jan 12: 86.

The Town haveing voted said Tho: Dewey an Inhabitant Se page: 135 of this book & to have an equal share or Inter-

est in o^r Lands South of Agawam River wth o^r selves, & that his Interest be laid out South of Agawam & und^r the mountain toward Westfeild, Provided he build an house of Twenty six foot long & a barn of thirty foot long wthin four yeeres: but because of some objections that were started, eight men of o^r Inhabitants, viz: Samll Marshfeild Jonathan Burt Sen^r, Benjamin Parsons John Lamb, Japhet Chapin Jn^o Hitchcocke Tho: Cooper Joseph Bedortha did offer to give s^d Thomas Dewey ten acres P peice of their Propriety shares, Thereupon the Town voted they should have ten acres apeice of the Propriety Shares where Tho: Dewey desired the Town to Grant him Eighty acres & to have the rest of their Proportions according as their casting of lots should cast them wth abatements of Ten acres P peice there.

The Worppll Major Jn^o Pynchon Esq his Twenty acres that Lyes South of Agawam toward Westfeild Laid out by the Town Measurer, & sold to Tho: Dewey of Westfeild, the Towne allowes of the Laying out thereof:

Thomas Stebbins David Morgan Joseph Ely & Natha^{ll} Mun being desirous to improve their lots on the East side of the fence of the Plain feild where the county Rhode goes thorow their said Lots, Leading to Chickuppi, They do desire the Town would encourage them so to doe, by translating those high ways to ly from the Town fence Eastward up a long the South flanke of Thomas Stebbins his lot there, & then to ly at the Reer of their Lots there, being to run about Six score or seven score Rod at the s^d Reer of their Lots, til it come cross the brook into the high wayes again o^r or County Rhode againe. The Town allow of their altering of the s^d high way to suite them, provided they Lay out the high way three Rod at the s^d flank of Thomas Stebbins his lot, & four Rods at the Reer of al their Lot, when the high way is Layd til it come to meet wth the old high way against al to the satisfaction of the Select men, provided also that the County Courte also allow of this s^d Exchange:

New Motions for Land:

i. Deacon Jonathan Burt & his son Jn^o Burt desire the

Town would give them four acres of wet medow, on the Mill River above the Saw mill land at Pine hall.

Rolland Thomas having a peice of medow on Skipmucke brooke granted to him, & it being taken up by another man, he desires the Town would grant him the like quantity over Chickuppi River.

Samuell Ely Sen^r desires the Town would grant him fifty acres of Land beyond the nine mile Pond toward the Bay, where he shal find it convenient for his improvement.

James Warriner desires the Town would grant him six or seven acres of Low Land at Sixteen acres ag^t his own medow there.

Henry Chapin & Abel Wright Sen^r, desire Twenty acres a peiece of Pond or Low Land by the Way to Hadley.

Samll Bal & Tho: Stebbins desire y^e grant of Ten acres of Medow or low land on the Southerly Branch of the Mill River called 16 acres Branch, to begin at the end of that medow that was Charles Ferrys above y^e new Saw Mil, & so to run up that brook to a little brooke that comes Into it, & yⁿ to run up that little brooke [11—199.] forty or fifty Rods to the end of the meddow lying on that brooke.

Samuel Stebbins desires a grant of Ten acres of Land Southward of Nathll Burts Land upon the Hill adjoining to y^e Pond at Long medow in stead of some that he had granted him on Long medow brooke, w^{ch} now he can not find there.

Samll Ely Sen^r, David Morgan & John Humphreyes & Samuel Lamb desire the grant of the Pond two miles beyond Skipmuck, viz: the first Pond on the right hand of the old Roade to Hadley.

Samuel Marshfeild Joseph Leonard & Luke Hitchcocke desire the Town would grant them the Pond neer westfeild bounds, being that land that is Reserved for Town Comons.

Increase Sikes desires the Town would grant him six or eight acres of land called Entry, adjoining to Ten acres of Land that was formerly Nath: Pritchards.

Obadiah Miller Sen^r desires a little Addition to that Peice

of Land Major Pynchon Esq gave him not p^rjudicing high ways, also Three or four acres of Land on this side block bridge near Westfeild Rhode.

Abel Wright Desires a grant of 20 acres on the Lower side of Agawam River about two miles from Joseph Leonards house.

Joseph Leonard desires an addition of five or 6 acres of land over Agawam on the backe of Jn^o Dorchesters Land below Agawam.

Thomas Jones desires a grant of four or 5 acres of Land upon a dingle that runs into Schonungonuck plaine.

Benjamin Knowlton desires 5 or 6 acres of Land at the head of a Spring on y^e East of Jn^o Nortons medow on the mil River.

Richard Waite desires 30 or 40 acres of Land at Monchconis near the nine mile Pond.

John Mirricke & Thomas Mirricke desire five acres of medow in the woods where they mowed this yeere vizt y^e Sumer past.

Obadiah Miller Jun^r desires 4 or 5 acres of Land on the North side ditch medow upon a little brooke.

Thomas Day Jun^r & John Mirricke & Thomas Mirricke desire the Town to give the Pond that is on the Right hand of the Bay Rhode a little on this side the four mile Pond.

At a Town Meeting: March 9th: 1686-7

John Hitchcocke doth desire the Town would grant him aboute for or five acres of Land upon Three Corner medow brooke by James Mun there, if it be there to be had.

At a Town meeting July 27: 1687.

Thomas Terrey desires the Town would grant him to have four or five acres of the Pondy Land of the left hand of the way as we goe to Hadley:

At a Town meeting: Dec: 28: 1687.

Thomas Jones & Obadiah Miller Jun: do desire the Town to grant to them thirty acres apeice of upland & Low Land adjoining to Chickuppi River, & on both sides the brooke that comes into Chickuppi above wullummansups.

Colonel Pynchon Esq desires a grant from the Town of four or five acres of Land at Skipmuck adjoining to that Land on the brooke w^{ch} he bought of Charles Ferry to be added to that, where he is settling Roco his Negro.

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Att the Genll Town Meeting Febr: 7: 1687:

Att this meeting the Worp^l Colonel John Pynchon Esq his desire, at the meeting Dec: 28 1687, is now granted to him & his heirs & Assignes for ever, & so are al the Grants of Lands made by the Town granted at this & al other meetings when Lands are granted.

Also Luke Hitchcocke hath his desire propounded at y^e Town Meeting Feb: 1: 1686, granted to him, upon consideration of his being disappointed of medow Land that he bought of Thomas Miller, w^{ch} medow was taken up by some others, being first granted to them, so that now s^d Luke Hitchcocke hath Ten acres of y^t pondy Land neer Westfeild bounds on the South side of Agawam: provided always in this & al other grants at this meeting, this Grant and al other grants be free & interfere not wth former grants; nor come wthin the tract or tracts of Lands in the Towns Comons ordered to be divided into proprietys amongst the Inhabitants & Proprietors of this Towne, nor prejudice any high wayes or particular mens passage to their lands.

also the Rev^d m^r Pelatiah Glover & Samuell Marshfeild have their desires granted to y^m propounded at the above s^d Meeting, that is to say they have the Rest of the Pondy Land South of Agawam towards Westfeild, provided it exceed not Ten acres apeice after the above s^d Luke Hitchcockes ten acres is laid out to him. Se a meeting May 8: 88:

Also Rolland Thomas his desire propounded Febr: 1: 1686, is now granted.

Also James Warriners desire at the above meeting Febr: 1: 86, to have six or seven acres of Low Land ag^t his medow at Sixteen acres, now granted to him.

Also Henry Chapin & Abel Wright Sen^r have Twenty acres of that Pond or Low Land by the way to Hadley

granted to them, & their Assignes according to motion made Febr: 1, 1686.

Thomas Stebbins & Samll Bal have their desires, Feb: 1: 86, granted for y^m y^r heires & Assignes for ever.

After that Thomas Stebbins & Samll Ball have their grants Laid out to y^m.

John Mirricke & Thomas Mirricke have their desires propounded at the next aboves^d meeting granted to them.

& after the aboves^d grants Laid out Jonathan Burt Sen^r & John Burt have y^r desires propounded at the next aboves^d Meeting to them.

Samuel Ely Sen^r David Morgan & John Humphreys propounding febr. 1: 86: to have the first pond on the right hand of the old way to Hadley granted to y^m, The Town haveing granted to Henry Chapin & Abel Wright Sen^r as aboves^d Twenty acres apeice there to be to y^m, the Remainder of the s^d Pond Land they doe now grant to s^d Samuel Ely David Morgan & John Humphreys.

Increase Sikes propounded Febr. 1: 86 to have six or eight acres of land called Entry granted to him, the Town now gives him accordingly & Liberty to take it by his own Land at Watchuet.

Obadiah Miller Sen^r hath both motions propounded Febr. 1: 86: granted him, provided they do not prejudice any high way.

Thomas Jones & Obadiah Miller Jun^r have their motions propounded Dec: 28: 87: granted to them & y^r Assignes as are al grants, provided the land be free:

Tho: Terry propounded July 27, 1687 to have about five acres of the Pondy Lane on y^e left hand of the way as we goe to Hadley to be granted him, w^{ch} is now granted.

John Hitchcocke propounding March 9th: 1686-7 to have 4 or 5 acres granted him upon three corn^r medow brooke by James Muns Land there, It is now granted him & his Assignes.

Abel Leonard hath his desire of 20 acres propounded Febr: 1: 86, now granted him.

Josiah Leonard desireing Febr: 1: 86, to have 5 or 6 acres of Land on the backe of John Dorchesters Land over Agawam, the Town grants it to him his heires & Assignes as al other grants are given.

Thomas Jones desire Febr: 1: 86, is now granted.

Benjamin Knowlton his desire Febr: 1: 86, is now granted him as al grants are granted.

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Obadiah Miller Jun^r his desire Febr: 1: 86 is now Granted him & his Assignes forever.

Thomas Day Jun^r In^o Mirricke & Tho. Mirricke Jun^r desires is granted them: their heirs & Assignes for ever, as are al other grants, provided the Lands be free & prejudice no highways nor mens passages to their Lands, as are al grants now granted.

Here followeth Sundry motions for other Lands: at the Genll Town Meeting Febr: 7: 1687.

John Barber Sen^r desires of the Town Ten or Twelve acres of Land joining to his Swamp over Agawam for conveniency of fencing his Land y^r viz: for himself & his Assignes forever.

John Harmon Desires the overplus Medow that shal be found upon the Committee appointed by the Town their measuring out^d John Harmon & Nath: Pritchard their former grants upon the Pacowseek brooke to wit that he may have s^d overplus what it shal be in Leiu of Land that he wants in Long medow.

Richard Waites desires the Town would grant him eight or Ten acres of a Spruce Swamp over the stonepit brooke upon a Spring that comes into Ju^o Hitchcockes medow, as also that the Town would grant him about two acres upon Squaw tree dingle; also that the Town would grant him about four acres over the Garden brooke, joining to Ben: Knowltons & James Warriners Land y^r.

William Cranney desires about Ten acres of Land, & the Liberty of the Streame or brooke by it, that Lye the South-

erly of the Land above Chickuppi, at the upper end of Samuel Terreys Land.

Daniel Cooley desires a grant or four or five acres of Land on the North side of Pacowseeke joining to his pasture, to be to him wth his brother Benja: Cooley:

Lazarus Miller desires a grant of fourteen acres of Land upon Block brooke at the West end of the training feild, & at the North end of Peter Swinkes land.

Joseph Thomas desires the grant of about five acres of meddow upon the brooke above Skipmuck next to his fathers Land: as also five acres on the South side of Skipmuck River next to Colonel Pynchons Land w^{ch} his house y^r stands on.

Jonathan Burt Sen^r havinge three acres of land on Pacowseek said to ly in two or three places or parcels desires he may have it Laid together, & also an Addition of the hils side for conveniency of fencing.

Ens: Wright desires six acres of Land to adjoine to his house Lot at Skipmuck on the South side of his said Lot up along by the brooke that so he may have Land to build on for his sons.

Samuel Ely Senior desires a grant of Thirty acres of Land a little beyond the five mile pond between the Two dirty sloughs that was formerly Charles Ferrys Grant.

Joseph Leonard haveing a Grant of forty acres of Land, & it is exp^rssed that it should be adjoining to his medow, w^{ch} he did not Intend so to adjoin, he desires he may have the liberty to take up his s^d forty acres to ly by John Dorchesters medow.

Thomas Cooper desires to exchange 20 acres of Land that Lyeth beyond the Saw mil, for twenty acres neerer home behind the muxy medow, as also that the Town would grant him Ten acres on this side the muxy medow for conveniency of fencing.

Samuel Bliss Junior desires Ten acres of Land upon the top of y^e hil behind Longmedow Southward of Nathan^l Burts Land there.

At the Town Meeting May 21: 88.

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At the General Meeting May 21: 1688 or on the 3^d munday in May according to the date of the Governor & Council.

Whereas the Towne did at a Town Meeting Febr: 4: 1678, order that any Person that puts in for Land or for grants of Land from this Towne such Person should move for it at one meeting, & to stay til another Meeting before the grant could be made, Now for as much as there will be but one Town Meeting in a yeer, It is ordered that henceforth if any Person doe motion for Lands that the Towne hath power to dispose of, in the morning or forepart of that Town Meeting day in May & have a record of the Towns granting y^r desires In the after part of the day, Such grants shalbe accounted as valid & regular as if the same were done according the aforesaid order of the Town:

At this Meeting the Rev^d m^r Pelatiah Glover did motion in y^e fore part of the day of said Meeting, to have the undisposed Land, or the rest of that Pondy Land that lyes South of Agawam & towards Westfeild, & where he hath already Ten acres granted to him, & The Towne did in the after part of said Day grant said m^r Glover al the overplus Land there, or y^e Land not granted alreadie to be to him his heires & Assignes forever, on the like conditions as are prefixed to the fores^d grant Febr: 7: 1687.

Richard Waite propounding alsoe in y^e first part of the meeting of this day for the Twenty acres that Japhet Chapin threw up at hogpen dingle, y^e Towne granted him his desire in y^e end or after part of s^d Day.

John Scot of Sufeild haveing also formerly motioned for satisfaction for the high way of two Rods that were taken out of his Lott, & desiring also at a Meeting of the Town Feb: 1685 to exchange Thirty acres formly granted him, the County Corte haveing many yeeres since appointed that such men as had Land taken out of their homelots on the west side y^e gr^t River should be recompensed by the Towns

giving them Land, where they had a power for to doe, the Town did now grant said John Scot liberty to take up fifty acres & five acres above John Dorchesters medow below Agawam to ly adjoining to s^d John Scots own medow there, & to ly by the Country Road (allowing sufficient breadth for the Country Road there, & so farther to ly by the medowes there, & to be to him his heires & Assignes for ever in stead of said Thirty acres

Also Samuel Stebbins motion for Ten acres of Land, Febr 1: 1686, is now granted to him.

Also at this meeting John Barber desires propounded Feb: 7: 87: for Ten or Twelve acres, also, Richard Waites desires propounded Att y^e s^d Meeting for eight or Ten acres of Spruce Swamp & Two acres at Squaw Tree Dingle, & four acres over garden brooke granted to y^e s^d Barber & said Waite y^r heires Assignes forever.

Daniel Cooley also motioning at the s^d Meeting to have the grant of about five acres to be to him & his Brother Benjamin Cooley ag^t their Land on the North side of Pawcowseeke, the Town doth Grant s^d Danll & Benjamin Cooley according to that Motion.

Also Lazarus Miller his desire for fourteen acres at s^d Meeting Febr: 7: 87.

And Joseph Thomas his desire for five acres of medow at s^d Meeting.

And Jonathan Burt Sen^r his desire for Three acres at s^d Meeting.

And Ensigne Abel Wright his desire for Six acres at y^e s^d Meeting.

And Thomas Cooper his desire for exchange & grant of Thirty acres at s^d Meeting

And Samll Bliss jun^r his desire of Ten acres at s^d Meeting are al granted them & every of y^m the s^d Miller the s^d Thomas, the said Burt, the said Wright y^e said Leonard, the said Cooper & the s^d Bliss Jun^r, their heires & Assignes for ever, as are al grants of Land, provided the Land be free, p^rjudice no high wayes, nor particular mens passages to their Lands.
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Whereas there was a Committee appointed by the Towne Feb: 7: 1687: to veiw the grants of medows on Pacowseeke brooke that have been long since in the possessions & Improvements of Nathall Pritchard & John Harman, as also to measure said Grants of Medows to s^d Pritchard & John Harmon, & to make Report of their Act to the Towne and the said Committee haveing done s^d worke, do make their returne to the Town; that after they had measured to s^d Nath Pritchard & s^d Jn^o Harmon their grants of that medowes there on Pacowseek brooke to the best of their Judgments or the Quality of medowes there that are recorded unto y^m that they find about Three acres of Medow Land there over & above their grants there, & now at this s^d Meeting Nath Pritchard in the former part of it, desiring to have the overplus land there, the Towne did In the after part of this Meeting or of the s^d day, grant Nathll Pritchard the s^d Three acres overplus as afores^d, to be to him his heires & assignes for ever, provided the Land be free & the grant pjudice no high wayes nor pjudice any particular mens passages to y^r Lands.

Obadiah Miller Sen an acre or two acres of medow that Lyes on the Left hand of the Road to Westfeild on this side blocke brooke: This was his desire.

Skipmuck men did desire that the high way that is on the south side of widow Hortons Lot may continue there, provided she doe mend the high way down the hil, w^{ch} was accordingly granted, & the s^d Widow Horton doth desire that the Lot w^{ch} she hath, that was John Hortons may ly on the South side of that high way:

At a Town Meeting May 21: 1689.

John & Henry Burt did motion for about Two acres of land for conveniency of fencing their Lot over the Mil River against the Corn Mill & to joine to their Lot there.

Benjamin Thomas desires five or six acres of Land uppon the brooke above Skipmuck & to Ly to his fathers Land there.

Joseph Wright Abel Wright Jun^r & Josias Beamon de-

sire the Town to give them the Land Lying upon the higher brooke above Skipmuck, being bounded by Rolland Thomas & Abel Wright Sen^r their land there.

At a Genll Town meeting on the first Monday in May, Anno 1690: being the 5th day of May:

Benja: Thomas his motion for Land, May 21: 1689, was granted at this Town Meeting, provided there be so much, & that it prejudice no former grants.

Josias Beamon & Joseph Wright & Abel Wright Jun^r their desires propounded May 21: 1689, are now granted; if there be so much there, & provided no former grants are prejudiced thereby.

Sept: 12: 1690. At a Town Meeting

Abel Wright Junior desireth five or six acres of meadow on the Easterly Branch of the Brooke above Skipmuck, that comes Into Skipmuck River.

Feb^y 23^d: 1690. At a Town meeting

Abel Wright Jun^r hath his desire for meadow at the last Meeting granted him.

Also Thomas Horton desiring as much Land adjoining to the North Corner of his fathers homelot as may be convenient to set a house on, the Town doth grant him his desire. [III—204.]

Also Thomas Horton doth desire the Town to grant him about five acres of meadow above Rolland Thomas his Land on the higher brooke above Skipmuck: Tho. Horton also desires as much Land on the North end of his fathers homelot as that may be set a house on.

May 11: 1691: At a Town Meeting:

Thomas Horton desires Febr. 23: 1690, was now granted to him: Note that the Towns grant of meadow to the fore said Tho: Horton was wth this proviso y^t it be in the Towns power to grant Land there:

Also the Widow Horton her desire May 21, 1688 was now granted her provided also the s^d John Horton doth not come againe & demand the Land the Town did grant unto him.

Joseph Stebbins doth desire the Town to grant about four

acres of Land by the side of his meadow called Duch meadow for conveniency of fencing.

Joseph Leonard doth desire 15 acres of Land on y^e Most Northerly branch of Three mile Brooke.

James Warriner Sen^r doth desire the Town to grant him Land on the sides of his meadow on the Mill River, for conveniency of fencing whether Two or Three acres.

James Warriner Jun^r desires Three or four acres of meadow a little above Rolland Thomas meadow on the hither side of Poor brooke, below Benj: Knowltons meadow.

John Hitchcocke Sen^r desires the grant of about an acre & halfe of Land at his miller River meadow for advantage of fencing.

John Hitchcocke Jun^r desires the Town to grant him about Two or Three Acres of meadow & Low Land Lying betwixt five mile pond & Skipmuck on the upper side of poor brooke.

Abel Wright Sen^r desireth Ten acres of Land adjoining to his form^r grant below Schonungonucke at the Lower end of the Plaïne.

Jeremiah Horton Thomas Horton & Abel Wright Junior & Benjamin Wright desire a Grant of about Twenty or Thirty Acres of meadow Lying about or Neer Memachoge.

Samuel Lamb desires the grant of Thirty acres of Land under the mountaines at the foot of the mountaines a little above the Round Cedar Swamp.

Sept: 21: 1691. At a Town meeting

Abel Wright Jun^r desires the grant of an acre or Two of meadow lying below the meadow that was Symon Lobdels upon a brooke about three quarters of a mile above Skipmucke.

ffebr: 24: 1691: James Warriner Jun^r desires the Town would grant him about a dozen acres of Land at Ashkanunkseeke near the Land of Thomas Day Sen^r, at the Hooke of the River.

May 9: 1692: At a Genll Town Meeting.

James Warriner Jun^r his desire Febr: 24: 1691: is granted to him, if y^e Land there to be had or so much as is y^r

Also Joseph Stebbins Sen^r: James Warriner Sen^r & John Hitchcocke Sen^r [11—205.] their desires propounded May 11: 1691: wth respect to conveniency of fencing is now granted to y^m.

Also Jn^o Hitchcocke Junio^r his desire May 11: 91 is now granted to him:

Samll Bliss the 3^d desires a peice of medow between the Dorchester medow & his own medow upon the Mill River if it be not his own already:

Abel Wright Jun^r desires the grant of an acre or Two of medow w^{ch} Lyes below that medow w^{ch} was formerly granted to Symon Lobdel up on a Brooke about three quarters of a mile above Skipmucke:

Joseph Cooley desires Two or Three acres of medow below pacowseeke between Increase Sikes his Land & the bridge:

Sept: 12: 1692. At a Town Meeting

Joseph Wright & Abel Wright Jun^r do desire the Town would grant y^m Six acres apeice of medow w^{ch} Lyes about Three miles from Skipmuck upwards the great medow if it be there to be had & Jonathan Tailor of Southfeild who hath Land fenced in o^r bounds wth Logs or Tres, doth desire the Town would give him his Liberty to cast up a ditch fence on the North side of the said fence in the Comons.

Nov: 10: 1692: At a Town Meeting:

Joseph Wright & Abel Wright Junior desires at the preceding Town Meeting was granted y^m at this Meeting.

Jonathan Tailor of Suffield his desire also at the preceding Meeting was granted to him.

January 13: 1692. At a Town Meeting.

Capt. Thomas Colton Nathall Burt & their Partners desire the Town would grant them Liberty to set up a Saw Mil on Long medow Brooke, & that they may have free use of the Timber or Trees in that affaire:

At a Town Meeting March 7: 1692-3: This was granted to y^e said Capt Thomas Colton & Nath^l Burt Jun^r & y^r partners, provided it p^rjudice no mans propriety.

At a Town Meeting, March 7: 1692-3 Joseph Leonard is granted to have Liberty to ditch upon the Plaine below his Pond to his Grist mil, so as to bring thereto more water as he shal need. Provided That if his so ditching do occasion any need of Bridges, that he make & maintain s^d bridges.

At this meeting Sam^l Blisse the 3^d his desire (may 9. 692) is granted to him, provided it be not already granted.

At this meeting John Burt desires the grant of Three or four acres of wet meadow more or lesse, about halfe a mile below the head of the upper Branch of Long meadow Brooke, on the South side of the brooke ag^t five corner meadow.

May 19: 1693: At a Town Meeting

The Town did Grant Sam^{ll} Tailor & Jonathan Tailor their motion propounded Jan: 7: 1685:

Jan. 26: 1693. At a Town Meeting.

John Dorchester desires of the Town eight acres of meadow & low land on this side smal brooke at the head of a little gutter that runs into the mil River

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Joseph Stebbins desires about an acre of Land adjoining to his Land or lot that Lyes above Nathanyl Muns homelot.

Nath^l Pritchard desires that the Town would again give him the land upon Pacowseeke that he hath resigned into the Towns hands. Granted to him for advantage of fencing this meadow there at the meeting March 13: 93-94.

Abel Wright Jun^r doth desire the Town would give him six acres of meadow w^{ch} Lyeth on the Brooke that Runs through Skipmuck feilds.

Jacob Addams of Suffeild desires the Town would give him fifty acres of Land to Ly to his Lot that he hath in o^r bounds toward Suffeild.

Also Samuel ffrost desires the Town would grant him Twenty acres of Land Westerly of Joseph Leonards Mill.

At the Gen^l Town Meeting March 13th: 1693-4.

Nath: Pritchards desires at the former meeting: Jan: 26: 93, he explained more plainly at this meeting that what he desired was for advantage in his fencing his meadow at Pa-

cowseeke & was y^r upon granted him by y^e Towne viz: Eight acres

Joseph Stebbins his desire also at the meeting Jan: 26: 93. was granted.

Abel Wright Jun^r his desire at s^d meeting was granted.

Also John Dorchester desire at Last meeting was granted

Also Samll ffrost his desire at last meeting is granted to him: he continuing five yeeres In the Town; other grants to be first laid out: & y^t the same p^rjudice no high ways, (as are the Conditions of al grants:)

At the same meeting Increase Sikes Samll Bliss 3^d Sam^l Ely & Danll Beamon did desire of the Town the stream of Pacowseek Brooke to set a Saw mil on, & the Low land for ponding, also Liberty of the timber & they promise to free the Town from al charge as to the maintaining Pacowseek bridge.

Increase Sikes Sen^r & John Burt Sen^r desire the Town to give y^m Six acres a peice of boggy medow that lyeth between little Wachoge & great Wachoge or wachuet on the Right hand of the path.

Joseph & Samuel Ely desire the grant of forty or fifty acres of land Lying below Agawam or Westfeild River between the deep brooke & a peice of Land that was Tho: Bancrofts.

John Clement desires the Town would give Ten or Twelve acres of Land Comonly called the wolfe Swamp Lying on the West side y^e River & two or three acres of upland adjoining to it.

Joseph Wright & Abel Wright Jun^r desire the Town to give them six acres of medow about Three miles of Skipmucke, being Land the said bought of Oba: Cooley deceased but can find no Record of the grant to s^d Obadiah Cooley.

Thomas Horton desires the Town to grant him Twenty or thirty acres of Land on the West side of the gr^t River at the place called Mednegonuck.

William Brown desires the grant of six or seven acres of land at the rear of Thomas Terreys homelot:

At the Town Meeting April 11: 1694.

Luke Hitchcocke Thomas Miricke Jun^r Tho: Gilbert Samll Ely Samll Day & George Webster desiring that the Town would grant them Liberty to make use of the pine Trees for the getting of Turpentine for Rosin, The Town did grant them Liberty of the Pine Trees fro the Brow of the great [III—207.] hil to Goose Pond hil & from the Bay path downwards to the path called Log Path, for the Space of four yeeres, provided they hinder no person the taking of any Tymber or Candle wood in the Compass therein improved.

Also Samll Blisse wth his Partners being desirous to se what they can do at getting of Turpentine for Rosin is allowed to have wth those his Partners that Joine with him The Use of the Pine Trees from s^d Log path to the mil River on the like Condition as aboves^d.

m^r Pelatiah Glover motions that the Town would grant him y^e Land that Lyes or joins to the Lot the Town sold him, being between his fence & the hil.

At a Town Meeting May 17: 1694.

Increase Sikes & his Partners their desires for Setting up a Saw mil on Pacowseeke Brooke is granted provided they secure the Town fro al damagees to the Country Rhode, that may happen by reason of their worke there.

July 18: 1694: At a Town Meeting.

Increase Sikes Sen^r & John Burt have their desires (March 13: 1693-4) granted, viz Six acres apeice, between little & gr^t Wachoge, of boggy medow.

October 8th 1694. At a Town Meeting:

John Clement his motion for Land under March 13: 1693-4 is now accepted, & allowed to him:

Eliakim Cooley desires the Town to grant him three or four acres of Land on the top of the hil against his fathers house, joining to the Land that was his fathers for conveniency of fencing:

At the Town Meeting: January: 16, 1694.

Eliakim Cooley desires at the preceding Meeting is now granted him.

John Dorchester wth his partners, being desirous to set up Iron Workes in this Town, do move to have the liberty of the streame of Skipmuck River, & forty or fifty acres of Land where may be most convenient to set up said workes, & the free use of any oare in the Comons & liberty of wood for Coales for the said designe.

At a Town Meeting Feb^ray 5: 1694:

John Dorchester & his partners their desire at the preceding meeting are granted them, provided that they set about the worke to some good effect within Twelve months, & that the Partners coal in the Town excepting the Artist, & that in case any sel their Part or Parts, the Owners or some in the Town have first the refusal, & provided they burn or make noe Coal wthin four miles of the Town on the South side of Chickupi River, nor make Coale of the Timber wth-in halfe a mile of Skipmuck feild on the other side or North side of the River.

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At the Genll Town Meeting, March 12: 1694-5.

John Bagg desires that the Town would grant him four or five acres of medow on the West side the gr^t River westward from William Mack Craneys, between the little Pond & y^e mountain.

James Barker desires the Town would give him Ten acres of land between the Two brookes next above Chickuppi feild on y^e west side of the gr^t River, & between the path & the gr^t River.

m^r Pelatiah Glover Joseph Stebbins & David Morgan desire the Town would grant them halfe a mile square of Pine trees on the upper side of Three corner medow brooke from the Pine Plaine; also that on the South side of the upper branch of the Mil River ag^t James Dorchesters medow, the quantity of halfe a mile one way, & three quarters of a mile another way.

Joseph Cooley desires that the Town would allow him the use of Two Thousand Pine trees, on the South side of Pacowseeke brooke ag^t Sam Bliss Sen^r his medow there, to make Rosin of

also John Petty desires Liberty to make use of Two thousand Pine trees to make Rosin of.

At a Town Meeting March 27: 1695:

Ebenezer Parsons & Henry Burt did desire the Town to give y^m Leave to drein the Pond in their homelots by digging a drain cross the high way promising to secure the Town from al Damages by y^t so doing: The Town did grant y^m their desire they giving or subscribing a bond to y^e Selectmen to secure the Town from damage by reason of such digging.

July 26: 1695: At a Town Meeting:

Leicut Abel Wright desires y^e Town to give him six or seven acres of Medow, on the North side of Skipmuck River, that Lyes on both sides the brook that Runs Into Skipmuck brooke that Runs Into Skipmuck feild. Iron oare is always excepted in al proposals & grants:

At a Town Meeting, January 23: 1695.

Benjamin Stebbins Sen^r moves that the Town would grant him a peice of medow about an acre & halfe Lying on the North east of Sixteen acres branch on a Spring that comes into the medow of Samll Bliss his desire was granted at a Town meeting March the 8 1678.

Charles fierry Jun also moves that the Town would grant him about an acre of medow that lyes between gr^t watchoge & little watchoge (alias Watchuet) upon a Run a water that Runs into great Watchoge.

Thomas Day Sen^r desires the Town to grant him two peices of Land below Agawam, about two miles below Tho: Coopers and about halfe a mile of Jn^o Barbers medow the s^d peices ly about halfe a mile a sunder In the hither swamp he desires Ten acres & in the other Sixteen acres.

Joseph Bedortha Henry Rogers & Tho Day Jun^r Samll Miller & Josiah Marshfeild desire the town to grant them the stream of Paucatuck brook to set a Saw mil on also six acres of Land on either side of s^d Brooke, & Liberty of the Timber:

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Jonathan Burt Sen^r Henry Chapin, Danll Cooley Abel Wright Sen^r Samll Bliss Junior & Nathanll Bliss do move that the Town would grant to them the Stream at the foot bridge going to Long Medow & the Comon Land adjoining, to set up a Corn mil there & they promise to grind for the Sixteenth part of the Bushel.

At the Gen^l Town Meeting, March 10: 1695-6.

Leit Jn^o Hitchcocke desires the Town would grant him Leave to set up a shop in the street ag^t his house or medow for his son Luke to worke in, for Two or three yeers w^{ch} was granted to him for his son Luke.

Joseph Leonard desires the Town would give him Liberty to Set up a Saw mil on Agawam River a little below the fishing place at the foot of y^e Island, & Liberty of Timber & Two or Three acres of Land to build on.

[In the handwriting of John Pynchon, Jr.]

Att a Town Meeting March 19th: 1695-6.

Joseph Bedortha Thomas Day Jun^r Samll Miller & Josiah Marshfeild have there desires granted them according to there motion 23^d Jan: 1695:

Joseph Leonard hath his desire granted him according to his motion made March 10th 1695-6: provided hee doe not obstruct the Towns liberty & Freedom of fishing & noe former grant hath been made.

Att a Towne Meeting Decemb^r 5th 1696.

John Sackett enters his desire of a Grant of 40 Acres of land over Paucatuck mountain on the west side of it also he desires the grant of a Pond there.

Thomas Day Sen^r hath his desire granted him according to his motion made 23^d Jan: 1695 provided it dos not prejudice any former Grant:

Joseph Leonard & Samll Ely have there desires granted them according to there motion made 13th March 1693-4 provided it dos not prejudice any former act of the Towne or other grant.

Joseph Leonard hath liberty granted him of setting up a Corne mill upon Agawam River:

At a Town Meeting 5th January 1696-7.

Colonel Jn^o Pynchon & m^r Joseph Parsons of Northampton for the better accommodation of an Iron mill designe desire the Town to grant them one hundred Acres of land where it may bee found free of former grants, also Twenty Acres neer the place where the Iron workes shall stand for pasturing & other necessary occasions:

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Att a Generll Towne Meeting March 9th 1696-7.

The Town haveing considered the motion made by Colonel John Pynchon & Joseph Parsons of Northampton for the Grant of Some land for the better accommodation of the Iron workes designed, voted that the above named Colonel Jn^o Pynchon & Joseph Parsons have Eighty Acres of land in the most convenient place, where the Select men shal Judge it will not be detrimental to the Towne:

Jonathan Taylor of Suffeild in order to the getting of Turpentine, desires liberty of this Towne to Improve those pine trees that are upon a plain Joyning unto his owne land over a Gutter that runs into Saw Mill brook w^{ch} request of his the Towne have now granted.

Miles Morgan having formerly had a Grant fr^m this Town of aboutt four Acres of Land in house Meadow which was omitted to bee Recorded in the Time of it The Towne therefore have now Given & Granted the said parcell of land or Meddow unto Miles Morgan & his Heirs forever the said land beeing bounded on the East end by a Rigle standing 16 Rod off fr^m the Creeck a black oak Tree standing aboutt the mile of the bounds between the ministry land and this; west-erly by an Ash stump that is yett standing & was formerly the west bounds.

[In the handwriting of Jonathan Burt.]

September the 3^d 1697 at a Towne Meeting voted to give Ebenezer Parsons two or three Acres of land on the West side of the great River under the hill by the way that goes to Agawam this being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

ffbruary the 7th 1697 at a Towne meeting voted that

where as there hath been a former grant made to Thomas Bancraft of about 40 acres of land but no record to be found of it nathanyell Bissel of windsor haveing purchased the land the Towne do grant to him it being propounded to Bishel on Bancrafts account which land joyneth to westfeild Bounds on the South side of Agawam River.

At a Town meeting March 8th 1697. granted James Garrell ten Acres of land at the head of Chicopie plane between the two Branches at the left hand of Northampton rode propounded at a former meeting

Whereas there was a grant of Twentie acres of land formerly by the Town granted to Deacon Benjamin Parsons at Sconunganuck and it being fforfeited the Town did March 8th 1697 gave s^d land to his sone Samuell Parsons it being propounded at a former Towne meeting according to the Towne order.

At a Towne meeting march the 8th. 1697. John Dorchester desire of the liberty of the Streame on Chicopie river below Sconunganuck in the most Convenient place for seting up of a Corne mill was granted unto him hee grinding for the sixteene part of al graine and for malt the thirtie two part of it.

also a grant of twentie Acres of land there a bout adjoyning to the mill on this Condition that if he or when this mill shal be deserted then the land is to returne into the Towns hands he being paide reasonable satisfaction for his labor a bout s^d land this grant was march 8th 1697-8 to John dorchester his heirs and asignes for ever it being propounded at a Towne meeting ffebruary 7th on the above s^d conditions he keeping up a mill there.

The Towne march 8th 1697 declare Thomas Powels grant fforfeited it not being recorded nor paide rates for.

At a Towne meeting March 8th 1697 there was granted to Benjamin Stebbines Seny^r an Acre and half of meadow on the North east of Sixteene Acres Branch it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

may the 10th 1698. at a Towne Meeting there was granted

to Able wright Juny^r three acres of swamp land at Scipmup that lyeth Betwixt his ffathers hows and the long hill it being red in a former meeting march 8th 1697-8 at the same Towne meeting Abele wright and Jonathan Morgan and Thomas horten have the use of the streame granted them on the hyer brooke about a mile above Sciekmuck for to set a Saw mill there on as also Tymber also ten Acres of land for there convenence.

at a Towne meeting August 15th 1698 Able wright Junyr hath granted him ten Acres of land lying on the north side of Scipmup River being about halfe a mile northward of the two mile ponde it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

At a Towne meeting november 24th 1698 John Burt Senyr hath granted him an Acre or Two of Land being Swampe or low land over the mill River Ajoyning to that land he bought of victory sickes to him the s^d John Burt his heirs and Assigns for ever it being propounded at a fformer Towne meeting August 15th 1698.

At a Towne meeting march 4th 1698-9 Tilly mirick hath granted unto him his heires and assignes forever three or foure acres of land Joyning to John Lambs meadow at stone pitt brooke it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

ebenezer parsons hath granted him by the Plantation 14th march 1698-9 ten or twelve acres of Land it being low land or swampe on the west side of the great river lying on the northerly side of agawam river by the river side this land is to him his heirs and Assigns for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

Joseph Bodurtha hath granted him 20 acres of land upon Paucatucke Brooke below the pond to him his heirs and Assigns for ever may 10th 98.

march 14th 1698-9 Samuella Lamb hath granted unto him his heires and asignes for ever foure acres of land namly wett meadow which was fformerly granted to his ffather John Lamb which lyeth above Chapens Bridg which is forfeited because not mesured to him, now is granted to Samuella Lamb his son.

march 14th 1698-9 granted to John Bagg foure acres of swampe or low land at the lower end of nonesuch meadow at the east corner of it on the west side of the great river to him his heires and Assignes for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

at the same meeting granted to nathanyell morgan eight acres of land west of James Barkers with out the feild to him his heires and assignes for ever it having beene propounded at a former Towne meting.

At the same Towne meeting granted to Samuel miller 9 or 10 acres of land which lyeth upon the Southerly Branch of the Brooke that runeth at the head of Chickupy plaine to him his heires and Assignes for ever it having been propound in a former Towne meeting.

Samuel Bodurtha Ebenezer Jones & Ebenezer Miller desire the Town would grant them Ten acres of Land apeice In the way that goes to None Such halfe a mile fro none Such, w^{ch} the Towne booke Attests they moved for at a for^r meeting. This was granted at a Town meeting March 10, 1701-2. march 11, 1701-2 transcribed fro y^e original P Jn^o Holyoke Towne Clerke [III—212.]

At a Towne meeting the 14th of march 1698-9

granted to willyam Cranny and Joseph ely twenty acres of land their heirs and assignes for ever which land is on the side of a hill lying by there owne meadow it having beene propounded at a former Towne meeting in november 24th 1698. At bottom of this page Se grant to Henry Rogers.

at a Towne meeting August 1st 1699 nathanyel Sicks and Ineres Sicks Junyr ar possessed of five acres of land to each of them their heaires and assignes for ever which land lyeth on the easterly side of the long dingle it being propounded at a former Towne meeting may 9th 1699

At a Town meeting August 1st Charles fferry and John Pettie and James Taylor Jun^r by the grant of the plantation are possessed of 30 acres of land to them there heirs and Assigns for ever which land lyeth on a swampe called the Deepe swampe about halfe a mile on the east side of Pakatuck

Brook being propounded at a former Towne meeting march 14 1699

at a Towne meeting January 29th 1699-70

Joseph wright is by grant of the plantation possessed of 4 or 5 acres of swampe and low land a bouthe 3 miles above Skipmuck on the north side of the River to him his heires and assignes for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting

At this meeting Tho Jones desired a grant of eight or Ten acres of Land on the South side of chickkupi River over ag^t Leiut Abel Wright necke of Land.

At a Town meeting January 29th 1699 voted that where as there being six acres of Lands lying on the northerly side of the hygh way by Josiah Marshfeild which land was not formerly disposed of being about 80 rod in length and 12 rods in bredth this land is now by the grant of the plantation settled on the ministry on the west side of the river also at the desire of the naighbors on that side of the river it was voted that they might alter and Change land with such persons whose land doth Joyne to it for as may be most Commodious for the ministry.

At a Town meeting August the 1st 1699 voted and granted by the plantation it being propounded at a former Towne meeting viz may 9th 99 to these persons whose names are under writen al that land at a medow Commonly Called great Watchchoge or wachchuet that is undisposed of in that place to them there heires and Assignes for ever to each man an equal proportion which they are to decide amonge or between them selves the persons to whom this grant is given is as ffolloweth: Thomas Bliss Senyr Samuell ely Luke hitch cock Senyr James mirrick, Luke hitch cock Junyr John Burt Senyr henry Burt Tylly mirick John warner to them their heirs and assigns for ever.

Jan: 29th 1699-70 at a Town meeting Samuel Ely desired Twenty acres. Se page 215.

At a Town meeting January 29 1699 John Burt Senyr is by grant of the plantation possessed of 21 acres of land over or on the South side of the long dingle by way of exchange

for as many acres of land over the entry dingle which he the saide John Burt bought of Charles fferry Senyer and doth now resigne it up in to the Townes hands for so much over the long dingle to him his heirs and assignes for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

At a Town meeting March 14 1688-9 at this meeting the Towne did grant Henry Rogers eight or Ten acres of Land, be it more or lesse in the Swamp that Runs fro Mednegonuck to Silver streame, said grantee haveing moved for it at a pceeding meeting March 8, 1697-8.

Mar. 11: 1701-2 written from the attested paper of the Town Clerke

Attest John Holyoke,

Clerke for y^e Town.

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at a Town Meeting ffbruary 29th 1699. Jonathan Burt, Junyr is possessed by grant of the Plantation of six acres of Boggye meddow land upon great watchuet Brooke being a mile and halfe below the medow at great watchuet medow to him his heirs and Assignes for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

At a Towne meeting January 29th 1699 Increase Sicks Senyr is by grant of the Plantation possessed of 2 acres of land on the north side of s^d entry dingle by way of exchange for like quantitie of land on the South side of s^d entry dingle to him his heirs and Assigns for ever he resigning his former land up in to the Towns hands againe this was red at a former Town meeting August 1st 1699

Captin Thomas Colton is possessed for ever which Land lyeth on the east side of Barke hall commonly so called on the hill on the South side of the Brooke that runs in to Bark hal medow. also 6 acres of swamp land lying about halfe a mile eastward from Bark hall on the smal Brook that runs in to Bark hall meadow granted march 12th 1699-70 it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

at a Towne meeting January 29 James Warrener Senyr James Warriner Junyr and Willyam wariner are possessed

of ten acres of land each of them by the grant of the plantation to them there heirs and Assignes for ever each of them ten acres a peece upon sixteen acre plaine on this side or southwest end of Stony hill the south side of the path that goeth to sixteene acres it being propounded at a former Towne meeting.

Joseph Cooley is by the grante of the plantation possessed of 20 acres of land to him and his heirs for ever upon the hill northeast from his house it being propounded at a former Towne meeting being granted at a Towne meeting January 29 1699-70.

At a Town meeting January 29 1699.

Isaack ffrost is by the grante of the plantation possessed of 20 acres of land to him his heirs and Assigns for ever lying on the West northwest from Jonathan Taylors feild it being propounded at a former Towne meeting may 9 99

Joseph Stebbins Senr is by the grant of the plantation possessed of 3 or foure acres of swamp land over agawam River against the necke if it be there to be had granted march 12th 1700 it being propounded at a former Towne meeting IFebruary 9: 70

Danyell Cooley is by the grant of the plantation possessed of 4 or 5 acres of medow to him his heirs and Assignes for ever at wacheog Brook neare endfeild Bounds if it be there to be had granted Agust 1^s 1699 being red in a former Towne meeting february 3-98

at a Towne meeting December 10th 1700 the heirs of Isaack Colton have granted to them there heirs and Asigns for ever 20 acres of land upon the hill on the back end of the murry meddow on the south side of rasbury Brooke on the back side of the long meddow it being propounded at a former Towne meeting march 12th 1700

Ephraim Colton Junyr is possessed of 20 acres of land to him his heirs and asigns for ever by the grant of the plantation march 11th 1700 it being propounded at a former Towne meeting march 12th 1700 which land is behind the muxey meddow up the great hill on the South side of rasbery Brooke

At this meeting was granted to Thomas Jones & his heirs Assignes his desires of eight or Ten acres of Land propounded Jan. 29th 1699.

Registered March 23, 1701-2

P Jn^o Holyoke Clerke.

[III—214.]

At a Town meeting march 12th 1699-70 granted to Jonathan Taylor Junyr 20 acres of land at a place Called goosbery swampe on the west side of the great River or els where if it be not there to be found granted to him his heirs and Assignes for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting January 22 a Towne meeting march 11th 1700 Samuel Stebbins is by grant of the plantation possessed of 3 or 4 acres of land on the South side of his owne land upon the hill behinde the pond and on the north side of nathanyel Burts Senyr his land it being red in a former Town meeting march 12th 1699-1700

also granted to Tilly Mirick five or six acres of land joining to Land he had of his father Miricke at Two mile gutter or thereabouts it being desired Jan 29: 1699.

At a Towne meeting march 11 1700 Nathaniell Bliss possessed by grant of the plantation of 20 acres of land ajoyning to endfeild bounds to him his heires and assignes for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting lying behind

at this meeting Eliakim Cooley moved for land Se page 118

At a Towne meeting march 11 1700 Danyell Cooley by grant of plantation is possessed of 10 acres of land to him his heirs and assignes for ever it being propounded at a former Towne meeting December 10th 1700 which land by the east-erly of his hows.

Att a Towne Meeting May 12, 1701.

Benjamin Brooks desires the Towne to grant him 12 or 14 acres of Land on the North Side of Chickuppy River.

John Rogers desires the Towne to grant him four or six Acres of Land upon the Top of the great Hill, on the West side of the River.

Jonathan Ball desires the Towne to grant him 10 or 12 Acres of Land to build on being on the Top of the great hill behind Samll Days house on the west side of the great River.

Ebenezer Jones desires the Towne to grant him six Acres of Land on the hill behind Samll Days house on the West side of the River.

Att a meeting of the Inhabitants of this Towne Nov: 21st 1701 John Soley desires the Towne to grant him Twenty Acres of Land lying on the west side of the River at a place commonly called the deep swamp.

Tilly Mirick desires the Towne to grant him 2 or 3 Acres of Land conveniency of fencing lying by Land of Colonel Pynchon on Pecowsick Brook.

David Lumbarde desires the Towne to grant him 2 or 3 Acres of Land by the side of his owne Land at Pecowsick for conveniency of Fencing.

Samll Ball desires the Towne to grant him 20 Acres of Land neer Paucatuck Brook.

[III—215.]

Att a meeting of the inhabitants of this Towne on the same day, vizt 21 Novembr 1701.

There is granted to L^t Jonathan Ball Twenty Acres of Land lying neer the great Falls & Nigh the Land w^{ch} is already given out by the Towne, being desired at a former meeting.

Tilly Mirick Nathaneel Sikes & increase Sikes Jun^r have granted unto them Twenty Acres apeice above the head of Paucausick Brook.

There is granted to Benjamin Smith Twenty Acres of Land neer Paucatuck Brooke.

Benjamin Cooley jun^r & Daniel Cooley his Brother desires the Towne to grant them Ten Acres of Land apeice on the hill Easterly of there house.

[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

Decemb^r 10, 1700, at a Towne Meeting Ebenezer Parsons desired the Towne to give Ten or Twelve acres of Land on the West side of y^e gr^t River on y^e great hil the muxy meadow

Dec. 10: 1700. At a Town Meeting of the Town of Springfield.

At this meeting Ebenezer Jones & Ebenezer Miller & John Petty did move to the Town to give them Twenty or Thirty acres of Land on the West side the great River, Lying on the Pine plaine on the back side of None Such Meadow, & Joining to Joseph Bodurtha's Land.

Also Ebenezer Jones & Ebenezer Miller did desire the Town to grant them Eight or Ten acres of Land Joining to their former desire of land March 14 1698-99.

March 11: 1701-2 Written from the attested papers of the Clerke for y^e Towne.

P me John Holyoke Clerke for y^e Towne

Thomas Hale at a Town meeting March 12: 1699-1700 desired the Town to grant him Six or Eight acres of boggy medow at the head of the Norther branch of Longmedow Brooke.

March 12: 1699-1700. Samuel ffrost had a Grant of 20 acres for w^{ch} See page 220.

Thomas Hale March 11th 1700-1 at that Town meeting had his above desire of Land granted him.

Thomas Hale desired the Town (at a Town Meeting March 11: 1700-1) to grant him Ten acres of Land on the gr^t Hil ag^t Longmedow a little below or next to Samll Stebins his grant there.

Thomas Hale (at a Town Meeting Novemb^r 21th, 1700) had his desire next above granted to him.

John ffowler at a Town Meteing march 11: 1700-1 desired the Town to grant him Twenty acres of Land on the Pine Plaine by Paucatucke

January 29: 1699-70. At this Meeting Samuel Ely desired the Town to grant him Twenty acres of Land on the West side the gr^t River on the North side of Agawam River between the Mouth of block brooke & Silver stream by Agawam River side; & then at the Town Meeting March 12: 1699-1700 The Town did grant s^d Samll Ely his desire viz they granted him Twenty acres of Land at the Place above

s^d as appeared by certificate from Jonathan Burt, Town clerke.

May 24, 1703. This Entered here by
John Holyoke Town Clerke.

[III—216.]

March 10: 1701-2. At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Springfield.

Voted: Whereas a few persons have at some former Town Meeting presented y^r desires In writing that the Inhabitants would give them Lands, & had the former Clerke or Clerkes of the Town his attests to s^d writings, that the s^d Persons desires for grants of Lands were p^rsented to & read In or at one Meeting, & that y^r desires were granted at an after meeting, but have Lost their papers so attested by the former Clerke or Clerkes—It is now voted that y^e p^rsent Clerke make an Entry of their grants unles he sees Good Reason in behalfe of the Town not to do so.

According to the above s^d vote of the Town, mar. 10, 1702 here is entered a grant of Twenty acres of Land to John fowler on the South side of Agawam River, he haveing desired it at a former meeting.

Also y^r is granted Twenty acres of Land to John Worthington neer about feeding hills on the South side of agawam River, he haveing desired it at a former meeting.

Samuel Bodurtha Ebenezer Jones & Ebenezer Miller their desire march 14, 1698-99 that y^e Town would grant y^m ten acres of Land apeice in the way that goes to Nonesuch, about a halfe a mile fro Nonesuch was granted to them at the aboves^d meeting march 10: 1701-2

Here followes coppys of the desires of many Persons propounded to y^e Towne to grant them Lands w^{ch} were presented at former meetings, but at yet not entered in y^e Records

Samll Barber moved the Town Marc 11: 1700-1 to grant him 20 acres of Land on the West side of Pacatuck brooke, if it be to be found y^r, & if not any where else upon the commons w^r it shal not wrong former grants, granted at the Meeting march 20, 1702-2 or confirmed to s^d Baker.

James Tailer Jun^r desire of six or eight acres of Land to join to his fathers James Tailors grant on y^e West side or norwest side of Samll Lamb his Lot neer Paucatucke: being p^rsented at a former meeting is now granted to him: march 10 1701-2 or confirmed to s^d Tailor.

Samll Chapin Thomas Chapin & John Chapin desire the Town to grant y^m a parcel of Land containing sixty acres more or Lesse, Lying on the North side of Woolomans Seck & bounded on the great River: p^rsented at a meeting mar: 11: 1700-1 Granted at the meeting march 10: 1701-2 or confirmed to them.

Gersham Hale at y^e meeting mar. 11: 1700-1 moved to the Town to grant him Twenty acres of Land on the South side of Agawam, upon the feeding hil below Isaac frosts Land, Granted mar. 10: 1700-1 or confirmed to him.

John Killum at the Town meeting march 11, 1700-1 moved y^t y^e Towne would give him Eight or Ten acres of Land upon the Hil between that Land he bought of Joseph Bodurtha & y^t w^{ch} y^e Town hath already given him: Granted mar. 10: 1701-2 or confirmed to him said Killum.

Here followes a grant for a Sawmil not yet recorded.

m^r Pelatiah Glover Jonathan Morgan & David Morgan did move to the Town that they would grant them & to such as shal join wth them the stream of the River of Skipmuck at walamanumps to set up a Sawmil and Liberty of Land near the said Place, w^{ch} was first read at a meeting Dec: 10: 1700 & at another meeting of the Town, March 11, 1700-1 was granted to y^m. Al those motions of the several grantees above said also the for^sd Lands also the Grants of stream & Timber for Sawmil were given to s^d Grantees as appeares by certificate under the hand of the then Town Clerke viz: Jonathan Burt & although not yet recorded are now confirmed to s^d Barker & Tailor & Chapins and Hale and Killum & Sawmil partners March 10: 1701-2.

as attests John Holyoke Clerk for y^e Town.

Here followes divers persons motions for Land at y^e Genll Town meeting above said viz March 10: 1701-2

Samuel Stebbins desires the Town would grant him three or four acres of Meadow on the east side of wachoge Brook w^{ch} Lyeth partly ag^t Daniel Cooleys & partly ag^t Jonathan Burts grants or Lands w^{ch} Ly on the west side of said Brook.

Isaac ffrost doth desire the Town would change Land wth him viz by granting him 20 acres at Raile Swamp below Agawam River said joining [III—217.] to Thomas Day his Land there, for Twenty acres of Land w^{ch} was granted him, Northwest fro Jonathan Tailors feild.

John Ely desires the Town would give him Ten acres of Land between wheel meadow Brook & long meadow brooke on the Plain in some convenient Place.

Ebenezer Day & John Petty desire the Town to grant to them Thirty acres of Land Lying on Pacatuck brooke at the upper end of the Pine Plaine.

Samuel Leonard did desire the Town to grant him Ten acres of Land upon the brook called the Second brooke below agawam River & Joyning to Josiah Leonards meadow there.

Josiah Marshfeild did desire the Town to grant him Ten acres of Land Lying on y^e East side of Agawam River.

Samuel Bliss the Second desires the Town to grant him Twenty acres of Land upon the second hil ag^t his own Land Lying In Long meadow.

Nathaneel Bliss the Second desires the Town to Grant him Twenty acres of Land Lying Southwest from Thomas Hales Land on Long meadow brooke.

David Chapin desires the Town to grant him ten acres of Land on the South side of Wolamansecke.

Thomas Colton desires the Town to grant him Ten acres of Land on the East side of the great Pond on the hil, if it be y^r to be had.

John Hitchcock Jun^r desires the Town to grant him Twenty acres of Land Lying on the South side of the Spring that runs out of the meadow called Jones his meadow.

George Colton desires the Town to Grant him Ten acres of Land below Wheel meadow dingle ag^t Nathaneel Burts Land on the 2^d Hil.

Charles fferry desires the Town to grant him Ten acres of Land Joining to his former Grant at the Place called Deep Swamp.

Thomas Hale desires the Town to grant him Ten acres of Land upon the hil ag^t the Longmedow, five acres adjoining to his own land & five acres above the bridge that goes over Long medow Brooke.

Ephraim Colton Jun^r desires the Town to grant him Ten acres of land upon the hil ag^t the Long medow.

m^r Pelatiah Glover desires the Town would grant him Ten acres of Land adjoining to his Land at Pacowsecke near the Land called the Spring peices.

Samuel Wariner doth desire the Town to grant him fifteen acres of Land on the East side of Paucatuck Brooke upon the Pine Plaines.

January 5th 1702. At a Town Meeting.

Jonathan Bal desires the Town would grant him Twenty acres of Land neer the great falls Joining to y^t which the Town gave him formerly.

Jonathan Burt Jun^r desires the Town to give him Twelve acres of Land on y^e gr^t hil on the back side of Long medow, on y^e East side of Sam^l Stebins his Land or y^rabouts.

John Atchison desires the Town to give him Ten acres of Land on y^e gr^t hil over ag^t long medow on y^e East side y^e Long dingle neer ag^t Tho: Hale his Land; also to give him six acres of Low Land on Long medow Brooke, a little below or westwardly of Elys Bridge:

Nathaneel Mighill of Westfeild desires the Town to give him Ten acres of Land neer his Land which he hath in Springfeild for conveniency of building.

[III—218.]

January 29th 1702-3. At a Town Meeting of the Town of Springfeild.

At this Meeting the Inhabitants of Long medow or the most of them did p^sent a Petition to the Town, that they would grant them Land on the Hil Eastward of Longmedow to build on for homelots to the number of Sixty or Eighty

homelots, & to be of Twenty Rods breadth, & Eighty Rods Length, or that the Town would order those Lands to be modelled so as may be most Comfortable for Settling thereon, to which Petition they Subscribed their names, & the s^d Petition is transcribed In the 275 page of this book & se pa. 219 & 277.

Also Ebenezer Parsons desires the Town would grant to him Twenty or Thirty acres of land above Chickupi feild on the West side of the great River.

At a meeting of the ffreeholders of the Town of Springfield febr. 22, 1702-3.

Charles fferre desires the Town to Grant him six acres of Land at a Place called Suckey Swamp about halfe a mile Westward fro his house.

Samll Bliss Sen^r desires the Town would grant him Ten acres on the hil on the back side of Longmedow.

Sam^l Day desires y^e Town to grant him six acres of Land upon the great hil joining to his house lot.

Jeremiah Horton desires the Town to give him fifteen acres of land upon Stony hil on the North side of Skipmuck River.

Thomas Horton desires the Town to grant him fifteen acres of land on Stony Hil on the North side of Skipmuck River.

Benjamin Horton desires the Town would grant him Twelve acres of Land on Stony hil over Skipmuck River.

John Fowler desires the Town would grant him Eighteen acres of Land at the Place called Suckey Swamp.

March 9: 1702-3. At the Genll Town Meeting of the Town of Springfield.

m^r Pelatiah Glover his desires propounded Jan. 29, 1702-3 are now granted him.

Eliakim Cooley hath granted to him four or five acres of meadow swamp or low Land upon a smal Brooke w^{ch} runeth out of Matthews his Swamp so called, about a mile below Matthews his Swamp, he haveing moved for it at a Town Meeting March 11th 1700-1.

Thomas Horton his motion for Land at y^e meeting febr. 22, 1702-3 is now granted him.

Benjamin Hortons motion for Land at y^e Meeting febr. 22, 1702-3 is now granted him.

Tilly Miricke desires the Town would grant him four or five acres of Land joyning to his own Land at Pacowseek for conveniency of fencing.

Henry Chapin Jun^r desires the Town would grant him Six acres of Land on the hil at the East end of Jn^o Crowfootes house lot.

Joseph Leonard Junior desires the Town would grant him Ten acres of Land Lying upon the basking place Brooke.

John Crowfoote desires the Town to Grant him fifteen acres of Land on the Plain between Ely Brooke & John Crowfoot Brooke.

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Samuel Colton desires the Town to give him ten acres of Land, w^r it may be had.

William Bliss & Pelatiah Bliss, Benjamin Stebbins & Thomas Stebbins Desire the Town to give them Ten acres of Land apeice on the North side of the Northerly Branch of Mil River, a little way Westerly from fferes farmee, & partly against James Dorchesters medow.

Sep. 27. Att this Meeting, the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Long Medow presented at the Town Meeting Jan. 29 1702-3 was considered, and it was voted to give Liberty to build upon the hil Eastward of s^d Long medow:

And it was further voted to give the Land from Pecowseeke to Enfeild bounds & from the hil Eastward of the Long medow halfe a mile further Eastward into the Woods unto the said Long medow Inhabitants, & unto such others as a Committee appointed by the Town shal allow, in al w^{ch} they shalbe ordered & modelled in such way & manner, as may be most Comfortable to settle on, Reserving Liberty for convenient high wayes Se p. 277.

march 26, 1703. At a Meeting of the ffreeholders of Springfield.

Joseph Cooley Sen^r desires Liberty of the Town to but his dam for his fulling Mil to but it on the South side of the mil River over ag^t His Land above the grist mil, & so much Land or gravel as may be necessary for daming wthal & the stream of the mil River if it be theirs to give in this Place.

May 3: 1703. At a meeting of the ffreeholders of y^e Towne of Springfeild.

Henry Chapin Sen^r desires the Town would give about four acres of Land on the side of the hil Southerly of his own Land that Lyes below Benjamin Wrights homelot & to Ly fro the high way unto y^e gr^t River, & this Instead of Three Rod of Land in breadth that he yeilds up for this high way from his house til it meet wth y^e high way that Leades to Chickupi River.

Jan: 7: 1703-4 At a meeting of the ffreeholders of the Town of Springfeild.

Charles fferre, (alias) fferrey) did move the Town to grant him Two acres of boggy medow on the West side of the great River between the great Pond & the mountaine.

March 14th: 1703-4 At y^e Genll Town meeting for Election of officers for Springfeild.

Jonathan Bag desires the Town to give him Twenty acres of Land westward fro his house.

March 13: 1704-5. At a meeting of the freeholders of the Town of Springfeild.

Jonathan Bag hath Twenty acres granted to him westward from his house according to his motion at the preceding Meeting.

Joseph Cooley Sen^r his desire as above s^d March 6, 1703 is now granted him.

Samuel Stebbins his desire for the grant of three or four acres of medow on the East side of watchoge brooke, ag^t Danll Cooleys & Jonath Burt Jun^r y^r Lands on the west side of the brooke, was now granted to him, having moved for it at a former meeting Mar. 10, 1701-2

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John Burt desiring the Town to give Six acres of Land on the north side of pacowseek adjoining to his own Land.

John Petty desires Liberty of the Stream on Darbys Brook, & three or four acres of Land convenient thereunto, about half a mile from Samll Millers house.

Samll Ball desires the grant of Ten acres of Land Lying on the North East side of that Land which he bought of the widow Swinke for conveniency of fencing.

Jonathan Worthington desires the grant of Twenty acres of Land Lying on the West side of the boggy medow that is on three mile Brooke.

John ffere desires the Town to give him Eight acres of Land on the South side of pacowseck adjoining to his own Land for conveniency of fencing. This desire of Jn^o ffere above s^d was granted at a Town meeting march 12: 1705-6.

John ffowler desireth the Town to give him Twenty acres of Land, that he sayes the Town did formerly give him.

The Comittee of the Precinct on the West side of y^e great River do desire a Tract of Land of about an hundred acres Lying on the brook that is on the Pine Plaine & runeth into y^e River at the Southerly end of the Land of the Parsons. To be given to y^e minister, for his better settlem^t.

Samuel ffrost had granted to him by the Town at a meeting march 12th: 1699-70 (Se page 215) Twenty acres of Upland, Joining to [] Brookes his Land below Agawam River on the West side Westfeild Rhoad: he s^d ffrost haveing propounded his desire for the Same at a former meeting, may 12th, 1699.

At a General Town Meeting: march 12: 1706-6 of the Town of Springfield.

The ffreeholders &c did grant to Jonathan Burt Jun^r about Two acres of Land, viz the vacant Land at the end of the Lot that was called his Grand mothers Lot & at the end of Samll Stebbins his Lot on the hil he propounded for it at y^e meeting Dec. 25, 1705.

Also to James Stevenson was granted six acres of Land or upland, to Ly to his own Land west from his medow, neer where his house standeth below Agawam River, he having motioned for it at a former meeting—march 12th 1699-1700.

Danll Cooley hath eight or ten acres of Land granted him joining to his Land at Pacowseek on the South side of it for conveniency of fencing; haveing moved for this grant at the Meeting Dec. 25: 1705.

may 13: 1706. At a Meeting of the freeholders of the Town of Springfeild.

Samuel Warner Ebenezer Warner & Ebenezer Warner have granted them Twenty acres of Land a peice, which Land Lyes on the South side of Little wachoge path on the South end of the Hil, viz wachoge hil. they having moved for it at a former meeting, saveing former grants & Liberty for convenient wayes.

January 9: 1706-7. At a meeting of the ffreeholders of y^e Town of Springfeild.

At this Meeting y^r was granted to Jonathan Worthington Twenty acres of Land moved for at the Town Meeting march 13: 1704-5.

At this meeting Tilly Mirick & Samll Ely did desire the Priviledge for a Saw mil on the northerly end of Schonungonuck bar & the Town grants them y^r desire provided it hinder no former Grant & said Sam^l Ely did surrender al his Right in s^d grant to m^r Joseph Parsons

ffebr. 28 1706-7. At a meeting of the ffreeholders of the Town of Springfeild.

James Sikes hath granted to him Eight or Ten acres of Land at the Southerly branch of Long medow Brooke, by the Moheag Path, joining to his wet medow for conveniency of fencing said Sikes haveing desired it at a former Town meeting.

Thomas Horton desired at a former meeting that the Town would grant him four acres [III—221.] of Land on the brooke that comes thorow their feild over the River, w^{ch} the Town granted him at this meeting.

Joseph Ely hath granted him Ten acres of Land Lying on the brooke called Riley's brooke at the Place called Plumtree medow, said Ely haveing desired at a former Meeting.

At Springfeild March 11th 1706-7. At the Genll Town

meeting of y^e two conditions for al the following Grants. viz: Saving former grants & allowing for high wayes, are the conditions of al y^e following grants:

The desire or Petition of the Inhabitants of the West side of the gr^t River p^rsented at the meeting Jan. 9: 1706-7 (See page 282) was Now at this meeting granted to s^d Inhabitants viz: The voters at this meeting did agree & vote them to have Land on the great hil westerly of y^e meeting house to extend from the Southerly end of s^d hil to the north end of Chickupi feild, as also to have Land on the South side of Agawam River on the Plain from Benjamin Leonards Land down to Samuel Coopers for house Lots, Saving former grants & providing that no lots exceed Twenty acres, & allowing sufficiently for high wayes, also expressing that herein they provide for such as may come to them from the East side of y^e gr^t River as also for others, & also did Appoint major John Pynchon m^r Joseph Parsons Joseph Williston Benja. Leonard & John Miller to be a Committee to manage the affair of modelling the grants of these Lands for house Lots, & y^r to make report of y^r act to the Town At the next Town Meeting of the freeholders &c did express that they did reckon or understand the above grant to be to the Inhabitants on both sides of y^e great river.

Benjamin Brookes Edward Horton Thomas Horton & David Chapin have granted to them forty acres of Land on the North side of Chickupi River from Schonungonuck path that goes out of y^e River & so up the River & adjoyning to the River, so ly & have ten acres a peice granted them they haveing desired it at the former meetings, especially at y^e meeting ffebr. 28 1706-7, saveing former grant & high wayes.

Samuel Stebbins Jun^r & Thomas Powell have the grant of three or four acres of wet medow on the East side of wachoge brooke & bordering on the land of Sam^l Stebins Sen^r there Southerly, to be equally divided between them, they moving for y^e same march 12 1705-6, saveing former grants & high-wayes.

John Barber hath granted him eight or Ten acres of Land

to Ly to his former grant below Askununsit beyond block bridge, haveing moved for y^e same march 12 1705-6 saveing former grants & high wayes.

m^r Joseph Parsons hath the grant of a peice of Swamp Land Lying on dirty Gutter on the South side of the Bay Path, & running down to Tilly Mirickes Land, & also Eight or Ten acres of Land on the East side of said Swamp, wth the reserve that he allow four Rod for an high way between Tilly Miricks Land & s^d Swamp, haveing moved for it Jan 9 1706-7, saveing former grants & needful high wayes.

Tilly Mirick hath granted him Two or three acres at Pacowseek joining to his own Land there, haveing propounded his desire for it, at a former meeting Nov. 1701.

Samuel Colton hath the Grant of seven acres of Land nor-easterly of y^e great medow, having propounded for it feb. 28, 1706-7 saveing former grants & high wayes needful.

Nathaneel Sikes Sen^r hath the grant of Two or three acres of Land on the South side of his own Land at Pacowseeke haveing moved for it Jan. 9, 1706-7 saveing former high wayes.

Thomas Smith of Suffeild hath Liberty to mow three smal peices of boggy medow near the South west corner of Springfeild bounds, between muddy brooke & the mountaine, til the Town se cause to deny him further use thereof.

William Mack Craney & Joseph Ely have Granted y^m by freeholders Twenty acres of Land P peice Lying on the brooke on the plaine on the Left hand or westerly side of Northampton Rhode under the mountaine, haveing moved for the same at a former meeting, high ways & former grants first saved.

At this s^d meeting the East side Inhabitants granted a Rate of £3 to be raised for Henry Burt.

May 9th 1707. At a meeting of the ffreeholders &c of the Town of Springfeild.

With reference to the grant of Land for a New set of house lots on the West side of y^e great River as above s^d (at the meeting march 11, 1706-7 This Question was put to the

Town to resolve on or answer viz: whether the Town did understand the said grant to be to the West side Inhabitants only or also to the East side Inhabitants & the anser was the s^d grant was to the Inhabitants on both sides the said River, the Town did reckon it to be so.

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Samuel Warner hath granted to him Ten acres at the rear of his homelot & Joining to John Burts Land then Southerly, haveing moved for it at a former meeting.

march 9: 1707-8. At a Meeting of the ffreeholders & other Inhabitants of Springfeild.

m^r Joseph Parsons hath the grant fro the Town of One or Two acres of Land on the North side of Agawam River at the End of the great hil & Liberty of the stream sufficient for daming for the setting up & improveing a Grist Mil, & if he do not build a Grist Mil wthin Two yeeres there, yⁿ, s^d grant to be void. haveing moved for it at a former meeting. Saveing form^r Grants & allowng for high wayes.

The Rev^d m^r Daniel Brewer is granted by the Town to have Two smal Ponds Lying near together about three miles of the Town with a Swamp a little below containing Three or four acres more or Lesse, Together wth such Proportions of upland, as may be convenient for dreining or fencing said lands, haveing afore moved for it at a former meeting: allowing for high wayes.

Benjamin Leonard is granted by the Town to have Three or four acres of Land to ly to a former grant westward from his Brother Joseph Leonards Mil for conveniency of fencing. y^e motion for it was at a former meeting, saveing for high ways.

John Web is by the Town granted to have Ten acres of Land on the Plain between Thomas Terreys Land & Elys Brooke, haveing moved for it at a former meeting: allowing for high wayes.

Nathaneel Sikes Jun^r is granted by the Town to have six acres of Land, at the upper end of Chicknpi feild on the west side of y^e gr^t River, to joine to his Land there & above his

Land y^r. haveing desired it at a former meeting: allowing for convenient wayes.

April 2, 1708. At a meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Springfeild.

Jonathan Bal is by the Town granted to have Twenty acres of Land near the Land he hath at the great fals; haveing moved for it at a former meeting, saving former grants and allowing for high wayes

Samuel Miller Sen^r is granted to have Ten acres or Twelve acres of Land on the mountain ag^t the Lower end of the great Pond westerly of Wil. Cranys house. Also to have Ten acres to Ly on the North side of the Land the Town hath formerly given him on the back side of Chickupi feild, haveing moved for both grants at a former meeting. Saving former grants & high wayes.

Ebenezer Jones Jun^r is granted to have Ten acres of land upon block brooke to ly northerly of the Land given to Lazarus Miller, haveing moved for it at a former meeting, allowing for high ways & former grants.

Samuel Barker is granted to have ten acres of Land Lying on Paucatuck brooke on the Westward side of said brooke. Not to Intrude on former grants, haveing moved for it at a former meeting. allowing for high ways and former grants.

Obadiah Miller & Luke Hitchcocke Jun^r have granted to them the use of Mil River between the Town Saw mil & the medow called Clarkes medow to set up some works to make Iron, & Land convenient for managing the designe, haveing moved for y^e same at a former meeting.

John Ely is granted to have Twenty acres of Land Lying on the South side of agawam River, & about a mile & halfe or Two miles southwest of Joseph Leonards house & near the Day's farther Swamp haveing desired it, [III—223.] at a former Meeting allowing for high ways & former grants.

march 8: 1708-9. At the General Town Meeting.

Jonathan Bag is granted to have Ten or Twelve acres Joining to Ebenezer Jones Land at the place called the Training feild on the west side the gr^t River, allowing for high

ways & saving former grants, haveing motioned for it at a former meeting.

Samuel Bal is granted to have Ten acres to Ly to the Land he had of Goodwife Swinke y^e Negro, saving form^r grants & high ways he desired it at a form^r Meeting.

Nathaneel Dumbleton his desire at a former meeting to have Twenty acres of Land on the Southⁿ side of the way that goeth from Terreys medow to the Ponds is now granted him saving high ways & former grants.

Nathaneel Burt Sen^r is granted Thirty acres on the Reer of the homelots on y^e South side of Wheel medow Dingle, for Thirty acres on the North side of Longmedow yeilded up to the Town; saving high ways & former grants, moved for at a former meeting.

Increase Sikes Jun^r desired at a former meeting the Town to give him two or three acres In the Long Dingle above a mile from the River & Joining to his upland, & to the top of the hill on the West side of s^d Dingle for conveniency of fencing, w^{ch} is now granted him, saving former grants & high ways.

Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r is granted by the Town to have Eight or Ten acres below three mile Brooke between his Land there & South said bounds by y^e great River Saving former grants & high ways, haveing moved for it at a former meeting.

Benjamin Bemon is granted to him his desire at a former meeting of a little piece of Land between his house & the Horton Land for conveniency of fencing & watering, Saving high ways & former grants.

John Crowfoot desires at a former meeting is granted, viz to have fifteen or sixteen acres upon the Pine Plaine Joining to the brooke that runs down his home Lot, Saving high ways.

Samuel Tailor is granted Ten acres of Land Joining to Jonathan Worthington, & Lying to the North of Buck hil, Saving high ways & former grants, haveing moved for it at a former meeting.

Michael Towsley hath a grant of Ten acres on the Southerly end of James Tailors Land taken at Tatam, haveing desired it at a former meeting, yet saveing high wayes & former grants.

John Lumbard is granted to have Ten acres of Land on the home side of Long dingle & joining to the dingle Saveing needful wayes & form^r grants, haveing moved for it at a former meeting.

John Warner Intending to remove his Grist mil above Joseph Coolys fulling Mil is granted to have liberty to but his Dam against the bank on the Easterly side of the Mil River & a free Liberty of a way to his dam, & Liberty of gravel, haveing moved for it at a former meeting, w^{ch} way is to be of free use to any that may want the same.

Nathaneel Mun & Thomas Jones have Liberty granted them to Improve Ten or twelve acres of Land on the Pine Plaine between End Brooke & Skipmuck Road, for the Space of Ten or Twelve yeeres.

December 1: 1709. At a Town Meeting

Jehojadah Bartlet was granted to have Twenty acres of Land over hog pen dingle brooke in the Low Land that lieth by the side of the litle brooke that runs out of Thomas Jones his medow provided he Improve the same within five yeeres & saveing high wayes & former grants, haveing moved for it at a form^r Meeting.

March 14, 1709-10 at the Genll Town Meeting

Jose: Leonard Jun^r desires Liberty to run his fence from his homelot to the River & promises to maintaine a Convenient gate for the use of the high way, on w^{ch} conditions his desire is granted.

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march 14: 1709-10 At the Genll Town Meeting

The Proprietors of the wood lots from the middle Causey to the upper Causey over the medows do desire that the Town would grant or Order an highway or street through the Town Lot or ministry Lot, & so al those said Lots of three or four Rods breadth that they may be in capacity to build on those

Lots & that the Town would grant those Lots to run to the brow or top of the hill or Training feild, to make up what the said high way shal take out of the Lots, & the way so to Run as that it may be built on on both sides, Which the Town did grant & did appoint John Hitchcocke Sen James Warriner Sen & John Burt Sen^r the Town Measurer for Land to Lay out said high way & to Lay additions to the s^d Respective Lots: for the Laying out this above granted highway Se the next page forward.

Gershom fferre haveing at a former meeting desired Two acres of Land at the rear of his home lot is granted his desire at this meeting, if he Improve the same in five yeeres times, also allowing for high ways & former grants.

Tilly Miricks desire at a former meeting to have Two or three acres of Land at Entry Dingle & adjoining to his Land be bought of Colon^l Pynchon is now granted on condition he Improve the same In five yeeres & saveing for high ways & former grants:

John Hitchcocke Jun^r is granted to have Two or Three acres of Low Land & wet medow lying at the head of the spring w^{ch} runs Into mil River at Sam^l Bliss his medow, saveing high ways & former grants, haveing moved for it at a former meeting

James Wariner Jun^r (haveing formerly desired) is now granted to have Ten acres of Land to Improve Twelve yeeres the Land lyes ag^t Goose Pond & between Mil River path & the Log path: saveing high wayes & former grants.

Matthew Crowfoot (haveing formerly desired) is now granted to have Eight or Ten acres of Land to Improve for Twelve yeeres, the Land Lyes a little below goose pond on this side stone pit brooke, saveing high wayes & former grants.

Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r John Miricke Thomas Miricke & Tilly Miricke are granted Liberty to Improve Ten acres apeice at five mile Ponds for Twelve yeeres, allowing for high wayes & former grants.

Mathew Crowfoot & Ephraim Bartlet have Liberty of Im-

provement of eight acres apeece at the five mile Ponds (& adjoining to Luke Hitchcocke & Jn^o Miricke their grants) for Twelve yeeres saving high ways & former grants.

Nathaneel Sikes Sen^r Joseph Parsons John Burt Sen^r & Benjamin Knowlton have Liberty granted to them of Twelve yeeres Improvem^t of Ten acres P^e peice up the Long Hill, between the old ffort & Long Dingle: Saving high wayes & form^r grants.

David Morgan Sen^r Pelatiah Morgan David Morgan Jun^r & Jonathan Morgan 3^d have Liberty granted y^m of Twelve yeeres Improvm^t of Ten acres P^e peice at ffer^e farme, saving high wayes & former grants.

Daniel Parsons (formerly desiring) the grant of a little swamp that emptyes it Selfe into Stone Pit Brooke containing about six acres Lying next to land that was Tilly Mirickes Land formerly, by a little boggy medow right ag^t the further end of goose Pond, is now granted his s^d Desire. provided he Improve it in five yeeres time & Saving high wayes & former grants.

Jacob Adams of Suffeild desiring form^{ly} to have Land granted him for conveniency of fencing his medow upon Muddy Brooke, hath now granted him Liberty to fence according to his desire, & that his fence shal stand during the pleasure of the Town or the Proprietors, saving former grants & high wayes.

Tho: Colton Jun^r formerly desiring to have Ten acres in y^e swamp called Matthews his swamp neer y^e head of y^e North branch of ffresh water brooke, is now granted to [III—225.] have his desire, provided his Improve the Land in Seven yeeres time & saving high wayes & former grants.

Joseph Leonard Jun^r havinge formerly at a Town Meeting desire Liberty to run his fence from his homelot to the River promising to maintain a Convenient gate for the use of the highway was granted at the above said meeting this said conveniency for fencing upon condition afores^d.

[III—225.] may 8th 1710. At a Town meeting.

Christian van Horeen is allowed the Improvement of Ten

acres of Land Lying next below the Land of Samuel ffrost, & between his Land & the Roade to Westfeild & Next to block brooke, & for the space of Ten or Twelve yeeres, & yⁿ to return to the Town.

Born van Horeen is allowed the Improvm^t of Ten acres of Land Lying & Joining to Tho: Terreys Land he bought of Danll Cooley for the space of Ten or Twelve yeeres, & yⁿ to return to the Town.

may 8: 1710. We whose names are underwritten were appointed to lay out the high way or Street across the Woodlots from the way over the middle Causey or Country Roade to the upper Causey have accordingly done the same. And the said way lyes by the East side of the house lot of Luke Hitchcocke Jun^r & West side of the Lot of m^r John Pynchon Jun^r, & there we have set Two stakes on the East side of said way, & so along cross to the Ministry Lot, & there a stadle is marked on the West side, & a stake on the East side, & so also across m^r Parsons Lot & m^r Holyokes Lot, & so to the Garden Brooke, a litle above the fence at said m^r John Pynchon medow, & so along cross s^d m^r John Pynchons woodlot, that belongs to his medow, & beyond that to the Reer of his woodlots above or norward, & so to run betwixt them & Edward Stebins his Lot & Obadiah Millers Lot, unto Joseph Stebbins Sen^r his wood lot, & to cross his s^d Lot to the Road that goes up the great hil, beyond John Webs: This way is Laid out four Rods wide.

By us John Burt, Sen^r
 James Wariner, Sen^r
 John Hitchcocke Sen^r

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Transcribed from the original (on file) as attests John Holyoke Clerke for the Town of Springfeild.

November 27: 1710. At a meeting of the ffreeholde^rs & other Inhabitants of Springfeild.

Tilly Miricke is granted to have about Twenty acres of Land at the East end of the Lot that was Jacob Cranes, the

grant to be of the breadth of six Rod, it being moved for a former meeting as a Recompense for Land taken out of his Lot to Inlarge the high way East of the middle Causey. granted so as to save former grants.

march 13: 1710-11 This being the meeting for the Election of Town officers &c for the ensuing yeer.

Pelatiah Bliss in granted to have four or five acres of land at the Easterly end of y^e Lot that was Tilly Miricks wood Lot, on the East side of the great River, saveing former grants and high wayes.

John Day Ebenezer Parsons & Isaac ffrost Intending to set up a grist mil upon Agawam River have a grant of the stream, & Ten acres of Land on the Northeasterly side of the River at the end of the great hil, & if they desert the affair, the grant to Return to the Town saveing also former grants & high wayes.

Jonathan Tailor of Suffeild showed how Jacob Adams of Suffeild hinders him from going over the Town of Springfeild Lands to his the s^d Tailors Lands This Town now grant to s^d Jonathan Tailor ful Liberty to go over their Lands as the s^d Tailor used to do formerly.

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Benjamin Cooley Jun^r is granted to have Ten acres of Land at the South side of Pacowseek brook joining to his father Cooleys land there, saveing former grants & high wayes, & he Improving the said grant within the terme of five yeeres, otherwise the Grant is void.

Jonathan Worthington is granted to have Twenty acres of Land on the boggy medow that Lyes on three mile brooke, & on the East side of the Dayes Land.

At a Town Meeting, May 10: 1711.

Samuel Lamb & Tilly Mirick have a Grant of One acre of Land for conveniency to set up a sawmil on Skipmuck River at the place between a former Grant to some others to set up a Sawmil & the cart way that Runs across the said River, above wollamanumps & Liberty of the Stream for s^d Mil. Saving former grants & high wayes, y^r desire was made at a former meeting.

m^r Pelatiah Glover hath granted to him for conveniency of fencing that the Land he had of Jonathan Ashley should have addition fro the foot of the hil to the brow y^rof: Saving former grants & high wayes y^e desire for it was propounded at a form^r meeting.

David Lumbard Jun^r his desire at a former meeting to have the grant of Ten acres of Land at the Northerly side of Long Dingle, Joining to John Lumbards land y^r, is now granted him, saveing former grants & highways.

Samuel Hitchcock Sen^r his motion at a form^r meeting to have a grant of five acres of Land upon Squaw Tree Dingle, joining to William Wariners Land y^r, is now granted him. Saving former grants & high ways.

Ephraim Colton & George Colton haveing at a form^r meeting desired the confirmation of the Land ag^t their Pond to the brow of the hil East of Longmedow. have now y^r desires granted y^m; saving form^r grants & concerning high ways.

Ephraim Colton desiring at a former Meeting the Town to grant him the side hil against his Lot upon the hil is now granted his desire. Saving former grants & highways.

Charles fferre his motion at a form^r meeting to have the grant of Twenty acres on the South side of Agawam River, joining to Land y^t was formerly granted to Samll Ely above the Place called y^e Neck, the Town now grants his s^d motion, Saving former grants & convenient high wayes.

John Harman Jun^r at a former meeting Desired the Town to grant him Twelve acres on the South side of a Gutter that runs Into Clarkes medow on the South side of mil River & the Town now grant his desire. Saving form^r grants & convenient high wayes.

Thomas Ingersol haveing at a former Meeting moved to the Town to grant him Twenty acres of Land upon Squaw tree Dingle part on the East side & part on the West side, saving former grants & high wayes.

Tho: Terry is granted by the Towns Granters to have two or three acres of Pondy Land at the South end of his medow neer the Ponds, & about one acre of boggy medow at Mark-

ams buttery, haveing moved for it at a former meeting saving form^r Grants & convenient wayes.

Samuel Miller Jun^r is granted by the Town to have Twelve acres of Land & swamp at the East side of Brush hil, at the Southerly end of the hil, haveing desired it at a former meeting, when former grants & high wayes are saved continually.

Joseph Bodurtha is Granted to have Twenty acres of Land at the upper end of Goosberry Swamp, in consideration of Land allowed by him for the Street or high way, saving former grants & high wayes, haveing moved for it at a former meeting.

Samuel Cooley having at a former meeting moved for it a Swamp of about five or six acres on the South side of Pacowseek & Lying about four miles of, The Town now grants him according to his motion, Saving former grants & highwayes.

Japhet Chapin In consideration of Land allowed by him for y^e Country Road Leading to Hadley moved at a former meeting that the Town would grant him Sixty acres on the East side of the great River & below the foot of the ffalls & Wollomanseep Southeasterly: the Town grants him according to his motion saveing former grants & high wayes convenient

Joseph Parsons desired the Town to give him Twelve acres of Land beyond the Gutter that runs out of James Dorchesters medow into mil River, by way of Exchange wth him for his Twelve acres beyond the Two miles Pond, & so called, & the Town allowes of the change & Grants him accordingly to his desire, saveing former Grants & high wayes.

Obadiah Miller is granted Ten acres of Land on the Southerly side of his own Land on the Mill River & to join thereunto, Saving former grants & high wayes haveing moved for it at a former meeting.

William mack Cranny is granted to have four or five acres of Land to Ly westerly of the Land he bought of Nathll Dumbleton in Leiu of Land he allowes for the Country Road, Saving former grants & high wayes, he having moved for it at a former Meeting. [III—227.]

John Rogers is granted to have Ten acres of Land upon Silver Stream Plain & Joining to land of Samuel Ely, Saving former grants & convenient high wayes, having moved for it at a former meeting.

Joseph Ely Sen^r is granted a peice of Land above Chickupi feild containing five or six acres for an house Lot, Lying on the South & Southwest side of the North branch of Chickupi brooke, saving former grants & highwayes, haveing moved for it at a former meeting.

Joseph Ely Jun^r is granted a peice of boggy medow lying at the Lower end of the great Pond containing Two or three acres. Saveing former grants & high wayes haveing at a former meeting moved for it.

Increase Sikes Jun^r is granted to have Eight or Ten acres of Land on the South side of Pacowseek, joining to his own Land y^r, Saveing form^r grants & high wayes, he haveing desired it at a former meeting for conveniency of fencing:

James Warriner Jun^r is granted to have an acre & halfe or Two acres of Land in a smal Dingle w^{ch} is on y^e North Corner of the New Training feild Saveing grants & high wayes.

[In the handwriting of Pelatiah Bliss,]

Some time in June Anno 1711 mesured for Thomas Colton Junior Ten accors of Land in the South East part of mathus Swamp being in Length 56 Rod viz: East & West and in bredth it is Twenty eight Rod and a halfe viz: North and South Bounded By a white oake marked at y^e Northeast corner standing about 8 or Ten Rod Eastward of y^e Ledge of Rockes and by a Red oake marked at y^e Northeast Corner and a white oake at y^e South East Corner and By a pyne Tree at y^e South west Corner this mesured by Nathanel Burt Junior. Town measurer Registered April 18th 1712.

March y^e 21 Anno 1712

Measured to Joseph Ely six Acres of Land Situate above Chickuppe feild bounded easterly By Nathll Dumbleton Northerly by Deacon Parsons & Southerly by a Littel Run of water it being 33 Rod in Length being East and west 30 Rods By John Petty measurer for y^e Town Registered July y^e 10. Anno 1712

December y^e 29: 1712 measured to Josia Leonard 10 acres Land Granted by the Towne which Land it Joyneth to his former grant on the West Side of it is Runes 23 rods in Breadth and 70 rods in Length: by John Petty measurer for y^e Town Registered Jan: y^e 12: 1712-13

December 20: 1712: Measured to George Colton y^e Land or Grant Confirmed to him against his pond: it is about Thirteen Acres: & is Bounded west by his own Lond in y^e Great pond & North by y^e Land of Joseph Bliss bounded by a white oake Stub and a stone by it, and East by y^e Brow of y^e Hill by a Pyne Tree marked 39 Rods: & Henry Burt measurer for y^e Town: Registered on Jan: 16: 1712-13.

December y^e 20: 1712: Measured to Ephraim Colton y^e Land Confirmed by The Town to him against his pond it is Bounded west by y^e Great pond and North by y^e Land of George Colton and East by y^e Brow of hill and South by y^e Land of Samuell Colton or his high way and is in Breadth 25 Rods and a halfe and is in Length 50 Rods Containing about Eight Acres: Also y^e Land Granted to Ephraim Colton against his Land upon y^e hill: it is Bounde l East by his own Land & South by y^e Land of Samll Colton and West by Samuell Coltons Boggy medow and North by his own Land and is in Breadth 30 Rods and in Length 15 Rods containing about 2 Acres and Three quarters of Land Both parsells measured by Henry Burt Town measurer. Registered on January y^e 16: 1712-13

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March 9th 1712-13 Measured to John fowler 14 Acres of Land it being apart of a Twenty Acres Granted to him at a meeting on march 10: 1701-2 and it is on the South side of Agawam River and is situate at a Place called Buck hill Swamp it is in length 56 Rods and in Bredth 40 Rods and is Bounded by marked Trees at Each Corn^r by John Petty Town measurer. Registered march y^e 12 1712-13

Measured to Joseph Bedurtha 20 Acres of Land Granted at a Town meeting on May 10: 1711: and it is att the upper End of Goosbery Swamp which Land is 60 Rods East and

west and 59 Rods North and South Bounded Easterly and Northerly by the hill and South and west by marked Trees by John Petty measurer for the Town.

whereas there was a Grant made as foloweth

march 9, 1708 Nathll Sikes Junier is Granted by the Town to have six acres of Land at y^e upper End of Chickupi feild at the west side of the Great River to Joine to his Land there and aböve his land there haveing desired it at a former meeting allowing for Convenient high wayes. march y^e 10 1712-13 mesured to Nathanel Sikes Junier the above s^d Grant by John Petty Town measurer and s^d Land is Bounded East by the Great River South by his own Land west by the Brooke North by the Land formerly Granted to Samuel Terry. with allowance for high wayes Registered May y^e 8th 1713.

At a Town meeting may 10: 1711

Increase Sikes Junier is granted to have 8 or 10 Acres of land on the South side of Pacowseek Joining to his own land y^r saving former Grants & high wayes haveing moved for it at a former meeting for Conveniency of fencing and it was measured out to him by Henry Burt Town Measurer may 14: 1712 and is Joining to s^d Sikes Land at Pacowseek and is Bounded by a Black oake Tree marked at the South west Corner and a Pine Tree at the South East Corner marked

Samuel Hitchcock Sen his motion at a former meeting to have a grant of five acres of Land uopn Squaw Tree Dingle joining to william Warriner Land y^r is now Granted him saving former grants and High wayes and on may 30: 1713: it was measured by Henry Burt Town measurer and it is Bounded on the North by Land formerly granted to Danell Denton and by Land granted to william Warriner and is Bounded on y^e North East by a Black oake marked & on y^e North west by a pine Tree marked and it is Twenty Rods in Breadth and Southerly it Extends up y^e Dingel ffourty Rods and it is Bounded on the South East Corner by a Pine Tree marked and on the South west Corner by a pine Tree marked

Granted Isaac Morgan 20 acres of land at the Rear of his fathers Lot at Chickuppe provided it p^rjudice no former Grant: April 26 1714 the above s^d Grant was measured or Layed out by John Petty Land measurer for the Town & the Land is bounded East by the Land of Chickuppe feild and it is Eighty Rods North & South and fourty Rods East and west and bounded South by a littel Brook Comonly called Taylors Brook and west by the Commons and part by Samuel millers Land

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April 9: 1708 John Ely is Granted to have Twenty acres of Land Lying on the South side of Agawam River & about a mile & halfe or Two miles South west of Joseph Lennards house & Near the Dayes further swamp haveing desired it at a former meeting allowing for high wayes & former Grants on April 23: 1713: it was by John Petty Land measurer measured out to John Ely & it is about halfe a mile South west of Dayes Swamp and it is in Length Sixty Rods Northerly & Southerly & fifty four Rods Breadth Easterly & Westerly Bounded northerly by Samuel Taylors Land or by the High Land or way over the Swamp

may 21: 1672.

Richard Excel hath Granted unto him Eight Acres of Land to Joine all along his Land at block Bridge on the East side of that Brook & on march y^e 15th 1714: It was by John Petty Land measurer Layed out & it is Joineing to s^d Excells his former Grant att Block Bridge on the East side of the Brook it is in Length one hundred & five Rods & about Twelve Rods & a halfe in Breadth:

Japhet Chapen in Consideration of Land allowed by him for the Country Road leading to Hadley moved at a former meeting that the Town would Grant him Sixty acres on the East side of the Great River and below the foot of the falls & wollomansep Southerly the Town Grants him according to his motion saveing former Grants and high wayes Convenient and on march 19: 1714 by John Petty land measurer for the Town this Grant was laid out & it is Bounded westerly

by the Great River and Wollomansep Northerly from the Road: and from the Road Southerly it is bounded by the Broock thirty and five rods Easterly & then it runs to the hill on the south side of the broock & it is one Hundred & Twenty Rods in length North and South & at the Southerly End it is one hundred Rod and at y^e Northerly End it is sixty Rods and marked Trees at Each Corner.

William Mackeranny is Granted to have four or five acres of land to Ly westerly of the land he bought of Nathanel Dumbleton in Lew of Land he allows for the Countery Road saveing former Grants and high wayes he haveing moved for it at a former meeting and on march 20: 1714 by John Petty Land measurer for the Grant was measured or lay^d out & it is at the most westerly Corner of the Land which s^d maccraney bought of Nathanel Dumbleton and it is bounded Northerly by the hill on the north side of the Broock East by his own Land and it is fourty Rods East and west and Twenty Rods north and South:

James Warriner Jun^r is Granted to Have an Acre & halfe or two Acres of Land in a smal Dingle w^{ch} is on the North Corner of the New Training feild saveing former Grantes & High wayes and s^d Land was measured out to him on October 6: 1714: viz by Henry Burt Land mesurer and it is in Length the fourty Rods and in Breadth Eighty Rods & Bounded by s^d Warriners Land South west and at the North by a Black oake marked and at the East by a white oake marked and at the South by a pine Tree marked.

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Thomas Ingersol haveing at a former meeting moved to the Town to Grant him Twenty acres of Land upon Squaw tree Dingle part on the East side and part on the west side the said Dingle and beginning att the Head of the Dingle the Town Now Grantes him s^d motion saveing former Grantes & high wayes: on October 6: 1714 This land was measured or Laid out pr Henry Burt Land measurer and it is joineing to Pelatiah Bliss his Land there and is Bounded west by a pine Tree and it Runs up the Dingle fifty Rods to a Black

Beach tree marked and runs Sixty four Rods Easterly to a Black oake Stadel and Northerly by a small Pine Tree marked.

March y^e 21st, 1715 measured a grant of Land granted to Thomas Bancroft being fifty Acres which Land is Situate and Lyeth att the Most Southerly End of the Millers Land att Ackconunsuck and is bounded Northerly by thee Land & is in Bredth Eastwardly & westerly Ninety four Rodds & upon the River Northerly & Southerly it is eighty six Rodds Bounded By Two young black oakes & East By a black oake tree by Jn^o Pety Town Mesurer.

There is granted to Leutnt Cooper 16 Acres of Lowland on y^e Most Southerly branch of the Three mile brook below his House about halfe a mile up the branch runing about half a Mile up the brook: and a Litle up a nother gutter y^t runs from the Northwestrly intoo y^t brook: March 15th 1714-15 the above said Grant was measured or Laid out by John Petty Land Mesurer for the Town and The Land is Bounded Northeast or at the Northeast Corner by a whit Oake Tree upon the side-hill ner a hollow, on the East side from thence running Southerly one hundred & forty Two Rodds in Length up the brook bounded East & West by the upland and at the North-west Corner by a whit oake Tree which is about Ten Acres & the other Six Acres Lyeth as followeth the Est end bounded upon the above s^d Land & the North-East Corner by a whit oke Tree that stands on the side of the Northerly gutter that runs into the brook and so runs West-erly forty Rodds & is in bredth Twenty-four Rodds.

Joseph Lennard Desires the Town would give him Liberty to Set up a Sawmill on Agawam River & Liberty of timber & Two or Three Acres of Land to build on the situation of it is below y^e fishing place on the south side of y^e Agawam. July the 14th: 1715: the above said grant of Land was measured By John Petty Land mesurer for the Town and the Land is Bounded Northerly By the River & Southerly By the Hill it begins at the Northeast Corner where the hill Comes to the River and is forty Rodds in Length upon the River.

Thomas Cooper desires to exchange 20 Acres of Land which Lyeth beyond the sawmill for 20 Acres neer him behind the muxy meadow as also that the Town would Grant him ten Acres on this side y^e muxy meadow. The which Desire was Granted may 1st

may 21st 1688 & The above^{sd} Land or part was mesured march 14, 1715, by John Petty Land Mesurer for the Town the which Land is situate and Lyeth on the back side of Muxy meadow and is Bounded Westerly By Josiah Lennord it being Eight Rodds in Length North & South & forty Rods in bredth East & West.

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March y^e 31: 1710th the Select Men viz Ebenezer Parsons & Samuel Day & John Day & Samuel Ely have Laid out a high Way from the high way that goeth from the Great River to Aggowem River which way is Judged highly necessary In order for outlet to the Comons on the South side of Aggowam River which way is to begin att the Westerly Corner of the Great feild from thence to the Fals at the Cart way A Cross Aggowam River Ten Rods in wedth and beyond the River s^d way is to be Twenty Rod Wide by Aggowam River side to extend to the Comons beyond the old Sawmill which stands on the Southerly side of Aggowam River Including the Comon Cart Way up the hil beyond the flats: and from the tope of the s^d Hill there is a high way of Ten Rods Wide Goeing from the tope of the s^d Hill unto the tope of the Hill beyond Benjamin Lenords to the Comons the s^d way was laid out In the fore part of the Day:

Whereas there hath been Complaints made to the Select men for want of Conveenient high ways on the West side of the Great River: We the Subscribers haveing Inspected the Places Proposed to be needful & Necessary for high ways to be laid out for the use of the Town We doe order appoint & Lay out these Stated Ways hereafter Expressed Nominated and appointed and first we Lay out a way to Extend from the Countrey Roads that goeth to Westfeild Beyond Block Brook between the Land of Samuell Lamb & the Lands of

Christian vanhorn to be in Wedth Twenty Rods or as Wide as the Comon Land Will Allow Between theire Lands & then to be Twenty Rod in Wedth to goe to the Land Called the great Plaine s^d high-way is to Continue on the hill till it Cometh to Jonathan Tailors Land and then to run a Long Westerly over the Great Plaine & so to Continue in the Comon or Town Lands.

There is also a high way Twenty Rods Wide ordered to be betweene Samuel Tailers and Benjamin Smithes on the top of the hill to goe from the Comon Road to the Great Plain to meet with the high way above prescribed.

There is also A high Way Laid out by the Select men at Chickeby two Rod Wide between Samuel Millers Land and Ebenezer Scots Land from the Comon high way or Street into the Woods.

The Select men have setled the high way through Chickebey feild which is two Rod Wide from the gate to the Brook but at the Low Land at the Brook it is to be foure Rods wide and then to Come to its former Breadth two Rods wide through the feild the s^d way is to goe along from the Ditch at the Southerly Corner of Nathanel Morgans Land and then to goe to the Ditch at the Eastward End of William Scots Land & then to run along on the Brow & then to Leave the Rum pond on the Easterly side of the way & so to Continue a Long the Road as it now goeth through Joseph Willistons Land to the way which goeth along to the Gate the above s^d high ways were laid out ordered and appointed by agreement of the Selectmen of the Town of Springfield this 13th of Novemb^r 1719.

Ebenezer Parsons & Samuel Day & John Day & James Mirick & Samuel Ely, Select men.

Novemb^r y^e 19th 1719

The Select men (upon the desire of Several of the Inhabitants of Chickebey) have Laid out ordered and Appointed these high Ways hereafter Prescribed & Named and first there is laid out a high way which is to goe on the Back side of Chickebey field on the Westerly side of Samuel Barkers

Home Lot where the way now Lieth which way is to be Six Rod Wide till it Comes beyound the Barkers Land and then there is to be two Ways: one that Goeth a way Westerly Into the woods & the other is to go along behind Chickeby field: that which goeth into the Woods is to be Twenty Rod wide till it Cometh to the high way that Cometh over Derbys Brook being the Common Rhoad and the other goeth along by or through the Land belonging to Nathll Sykes where the s^d way is to be foure Rods wide and so to Run along by the field fence till it Cometh to the Land of Serj^t Bag: from Serj^t Bags Land the s^d way Goeth up the hil Westerly at the Point of the Hill four Rod wide to goe to the Southerly Corner of Nathanel Morgans Land and there to goe away Westerly to the Comon Road four Rods Wide There is also a high way Ten Rods Wide from Ebenezer Scots Land Southerly a Cross the Hill till It Comes to Benjamin Stebbins his Land the s^d way is to begin att the Easterly End of Ebenezer Scots Land by the Great River goeing out of the Comon Roade toward the Town

Those ways as above mentioned were ordered and Laid out

Pr Ebenezer Parsons
James Mirick
Samuel Day
Samuel Ely

Select men:

[In the handwriting of Edward Pynchon.]

Laid out to L^t Robert Harris & Increase Sikes Jun^r Twenty acres of Land above y^e head of Pecowsuck Brook being a Grant Granted by the Town of Springfield to Nathaniel Sikes at a Town Meeting on y^e 21 Day of November 1701 which Grant of Twenty acres is Purchased by y^e above s^d Harris and Sikes, Laid out as followeth, beginning y^e N: W: Corner at a White Oak Staddle with Stones about it, then Runing S: 20 De: E 50 rods to a Stake Marked, Then Runing S 26 rods to a Stake Marked, then Runing E 31 rods to a Stake Marked, then Runing N 93 1-2 rods to a Stake, and then Runing westward 52 rods to y^e first Mentioned bounds: Land Surveyed

y^e 14th of November 1748 By me Paul Langdon Surveyor,
being Sworne.

The above Survey was Recd & Recorded from the Original
November 15th 1748.

Pr Edw^d Pynchon Town Clerk.

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Hampshire SS: Springfield November 9th 1748.

These ways as above mentioned were ordered and Laid out
Land Surveyor was Sworn to Survey & Lay out a Grant of
Seventy acres of Land, made by the Town of Springfield to
Nathaniel Sikes (now Dec^d at a Town Meeting November 21,
1701 lying above the head of Pecowsuck Brook and that in
Doing the Same he would act Indifferently & Impartially ac-
cording to his best Skill & Judgement.

Pr Wm Pynchon Just: Peace.

Recd & Recorded from the original Nov^r. 17th. 1748.

Pr Edward Pynchon Town Clerk.

Springfield april 17: 1727.

Whereas Thomas Cooper Jun^r had a Grant of five or Six
acres of meadow on the Most Easterly Branch of Stoney Riv-
er, where he Can find it most Convenient being 3 or 4 miles
from his Fathers House, I have accordingly Laid out Six
acres of meadow at the place above mentioned, It being Six-
ty rods in Length Northerly and Southerly and Sixteen rods
in Brea^lth Easterly and Westerly Lying near the bounds Be-
tween Springfield and Southfield and it is bounded at the
Southwest Corner by a black oak tree Marked and at the
Southeast Corner by a Small ash Marked, at the North East-
erly Corner by an Elm Marked and at the northwesterly Cor-
ner by a Walnutt tree Marked: John Ferre Measurer for the
Proprietors.

Whereas Timothy Cooper had a Grant of Twenty acres of
upland to Lye near to the meadow that was Granted unto
him and Japhet Chapin David Ashley and James Taylor I
have also Laid out Timothy Coopers Twenty acre Grant of
upland it Lyes near to James Phillips where he lives and it
Lyes on both sides of the Highway that Runs along by said

Phillips House. Twelve acres on the East Side of the way and Eighteen acres on the west side of the way, the Twelve acres on the East Side of the way is 48 rods Northerly and Southerly and 40 rods Easterly and Westerly, bounded Westerly by the Highway and at the Southerly End by Land that was Japhet Chapins where there Stands Two white Oaks trees Marked at the Loar Corners being 40 rods assunder and at the uper or Northerly End by a Stake at Each Corner about Twenty rods below James Phillips House. The Eight acres on the west Side of the way is 60 rods Northerly and Southerly and in Breadth 21 rods at the northerly End and 21 rods and a half and something better at the Southerly End bounded Northerly by James Phillips Homelot and Easterly by the Highway at the South East Corner by a Stake and at the Southwest Corner by a Black oak tree Marked.

John Ferre Measurer for the Proprietors

Springfield april 17: 1727

The above Returns were Reed & Entered april 10th 1747

Pr Edward Pynchon Clerk of Springfield.

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[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

At a Legal Town meeting: October 3^d: 1693:

Which s^d meeting was warned to declare to the Town w^t answer m^r John Haines gave the Select men, upon their declaring to him the vote of the Town at the Town meeting Sept: 11: 1693, p: 150, which answer the Select men that went to him for the answer was y^t he thought he was not in his way to continue amongst us in the worke of the ministry, & it was best for him to be gone from us, and the Select men did reply to s^d m^r Haines, that they would not take up wth that answer, hoping that they should find him alter his mind, & give a more Comfortable answer upon his further consideration viz on y^e affirmative.

Now at this meeting the Town did declare themselves dissatisfied wth this answer, viz: wth this denial, so that the vote passed that they would yet waite for another answer fro m^r

Haines, & that they would yet apply themselves to m^r Haines that he would yet be o^r minister in order to officiating in the things of Christ to the Church of O^r in Springfield. & that the Select men or any three of y^m with Deacon Burt should declare this vote to m^r Haines & Return his answer to the Town.

At a Legal Town meeting October 18th: 1693.

The Selectmen haveing been wth m^r Haines & declared to him y^e vote of the p^rceeding meeting: he did give y^m this answer, y^t he did not see it his way to continue with us: & Now at this meeting this answer being declared to the Town: The Town did yet passe a vote that they would Againe have m^r Haines Treated to See whether he might not be gained to give us a more Comfortable answer: & y^t they should enjoy the benefite of his Labo^rs among us. & that the Worshippl Major Jn^o Pynchon Esq Deacon Burt, Jn^o Dumbleton & the Select men should Signify this vote to m^r John Haines, & to treat him in behalfe of the Towne: or y^e major part of the fore mentioned to be appointed to declare according to this Vote.

At a Legal Town Meeting, Novebr: 30: 1693:

It was voted to send Capt Thomas Colton & Serj^t Luke Hitchcocke to the Bay for the procuring a minister to p^rach the word of God to this Town, & that they apply themselves to the Reverend Elders in Boston for their help for o^r obtaining a minister that may promote Conversions work amongst us: [III—254.]

January 10th: 1693.

At a Legal Town meeting, called to Consid^r what to do wth respect to o^r Settlem^t of m^r Daniel Brewer among us in the worke of the ministry.

It was first voted to give m^r Daniel Brewer Invitation to carry on the worke of the Gospel in this Place. It was further voted to give m^r Danll Brewer Seventy pound for this yeer: & the use of the ministry house & Land. & also it was further voted to give him an hundred pounds wthin the terme of six or seven yeeres Over & above his yeerly Salary to En-

able him for further Settlement, as he shall see Cause: & Deacon Burt, & Three of the Select men were appointed to acquaint m^r Danll Brewer wth y^e s^d votes, & to make returne to the Towne how s^d m^r Brewer should entertaine s^d votes. & the s^d Deacon wth the three Select men did receive the following answer fro m^r Danll Brewer, viz That, provided we were unanimous he was Incluable to Compliance wth the Towns proffer & that in order to continuance wth us, if he shal further find God Leading him to doe soe. * (Se this mark in the next page:)

It was further voted that Jonathan Burt & Henry Rogers be impowered to set up an house for Peter Swinke, & that what Peter Swinke is unable to satisfy y^m, that the same be paid y^m by the Towne:

Whereas we are given to understand, That an Act was likely to pass that the Several Constables of y^e Several Towns of the Several unpaid Country Rates be ordered to go to y^e Bay to Lay before the Province Treasurer or the Comittee for the Province arrearages, for his or their hearing of s^d constables or their accounts, & To shew to the Treasurer or s^d Comittee their Reasons why they have not collected or paid the several Rates, or what Reasons may be alledged why any Towns should be eased or abated, It was voted & agreed that the Constables David Morgan & Josias Marshfield should goe to y^e Treasurer or s^d Comittee, as for y^mselves soe for y^e other Constables, to Lay before him or them what Reasons may be meet to be urged why o^r Town should be abated in Divers Rates, & it was agreed that what they Expend wth Respect to y^e gr^t Rate of £24,000 more then their own Concerns & that they should be allowed for the same by the Towne:

m^r Pel: Glover p^rsenting added that he would have y^e Selectmen signe w^{ch} deed was Read, & the Town voted it not safe for y^e Select men to Signe it, it not being according to y^t agreem^t wth m^r Glover. but yet unanimously voted that the Selectmen should give him a firm deed in the Towns behalf of the Land at Chickuppi & the medow in the Town only reciting his surrendry & Relinquishing the ministry house &

Land putting that in as the condition for the Townes giving him the s^d Chickuppi Land & y^e said Medow.

Whereas the Acts of the Province require each Town to be provided of a Schoolmaster on Penalty as in s^d Act declared, This Town do now appoint & impower the Select men of Springfield, from time to time to take care [III—255.] of providing Schoolmasters as said Act enjoines, & in case the Select men do not take care thereabouts, and provide as said act requires, It was now voted that y^e Penalty in said Law for neglect, be laid upon them, & that the Town be not Lyable to fine for the Select mens Neglect, but that the Select men defective do bear it.

And Colonel Jn^o Pynchon Esq & Deacon Jonathan Burt were appointed in the Name of the Town to declare to m^r Daniel Brewer the Towns Resentment his answer to the Towns Invitation & to give him thanks for the same:

march 13: 1693-4

At a Genll Town Meeting for the Election of Town Officers

The Worshipful Colon^l John Pynchon Esq was chosen Moderator for this Meeting, & al other Meetings for this year.

m^r Pelatiah Glover John Dorchester Joseph Stebbins Nathl Blisse & David Morgan were chosen Select men to manage & act in al prudential affaires of the Town

Capt Thomas Colton & Samll Ely were chosen the Comitee to examine the accounts of the Last Selectmen:

John Holyoke was chosen Town Clerke & Sworn:

James Warriner & Henry Burt were chosen Constables & Sworn

James Dorchester Samll Stebbins Edward Stebbin Ben: Leonard & Charles fferey Jun^r were chosen Tithing men for their respective precincts & Sworn.

Thomas Stebbin was chosen measurer of Land.

Nathanll Mun Tho: Miricke Jun^r & Henry Rogers were chosen Surveiors for al the high wayes, & Sworn.

Serj^t Luke Hitchcocke was chosen Sealer for Leather & Sworn.

Henry Chapin was chosen Comissioner for Assesm^{ts}.

The following persons were chosen veiwers of fences to y^c divers feilds viz: Joseph Bedortha & Nath Dumbleton for the Genll feild over y^c River on the North side of Agawam, & John Barber & Joseph Leonard for y^c South side of Agawam; James Barker & Samll Bedortha were chosen veiwers for Chickupi feild: Samll Bliss 3^d & Samll Ely were chosen veiwers for the homelots, & Benj: Stebbin & John Hitchcock Jun^r for the Plain feild & Jonathan Burt Jun^r & Sam Bliss Jun^r for the Long medow, & were al Sworne:

Nathanll Mun was chosen Clerk of the market or Sealer for weights & measurers & sworne

Haywards were chosen, viz: William Bliss & Jn^o Day for the homelots, James Tailor Jun^r for the feild on the West side y^c gr^t River ov^r ag^t y^c Town, William Cranny for Chickupi, Thomas Lamb, & Joseph Stebbin Jun^r for y^c Plain, & for the long medow Samll Keep:

Long medow bridge being said to be very defective or to want a New One, this affaire whether to reaire the old bridge or to make a New one Is Left wth Nathanel Burt Sen^r together wth the aboves^d Surveiors, of the high wayes.

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Ben Stebbins & Samll Ely were chosen collectors for y^c £24,000 Rate.

It was voted that the Selectmen should joine wth Northampton to Petition the Genll Co^rtes Indulgence of this County respecting y^c Act about horses, that Since the Countyes Comons are Large, y^t we may have free use of the Comons for whatsoever horses we have wth out any difficulty or damage respecting the fine enacted.

m^r Glover Complaining that y^r are many yeeres arrears of the Reverend m^r Glover his father that he wants help to get y^m paid, It was voted the Select men of the Several yeeres, in w^{ch} s^d arreares should have been paid, be impowered wth the Several Constables of the same yeeres to collect y^m of the Several particular Persons behind in s^d Rates.

The Inhabitants of Long medow desiring to get a School

master to teach their children to read & write, & so to be exempted from paying to any such Schoolmaster in the Town, It was voted in the affirmative, wth this Proviso that they pay their Proportions wth y^e rest of the Towne, on al occasions for a Gramar Schoole:

At a Legal Town Meeting, April 11th: 1694.

It being declared to the Town by some of the Inhabitants that Jacob Crane of Westfeild do desire that the Town would allow or admit him an Inhabitant In the Towne, The vote passed for admittance of him if he Like further to come.

At y^e Town Meeting, May 17: 1694.

It was voted that the Select men Send to o^r Representative Capt Benjamin Davis to lay before the Genll Co^rte the Clause in the Charter that the Representatives for y^e Genll Co^rte may be accepted when chosen In the Province, according to the charter It was voted that the Select men do take effectual Course to get fire armes according to the Act.

It was voted to chuse Henry Chapin John Dumbleton & John Barber to be a Comittee for Seating Persons in the Meeting house:

It was voted to admitt John Weller an Inhabitant:

At a Town Meeting, July 18: 1694.

It was voted that the Number of Assessors for the publike Tar should be Three

The Worshipll Coll Jn^o Pynchon Esq Capt Tho: Colton & Leint Jn^o Hitchcocke were voted to be those Three Assessors.

It being reported to the Town that Benja: Smith should express himself willing to maintain Pacatucke bridge between Springfeild & Westfeild if the Town would free him from Rates for his Lands there, It was voted to Leave the Matter wth the Select men to treat him, & Agree with him accordingly.

It was voted that Joseph Stebbin should officiate as Town Treasurer til the next Gen^l Meeting for Election of Town officers.

October 8: 1694: at a Town Meeting.

The County Sheriffe having the Province Treasurers Warrant to demand of the Several Constables the Several arrears of the Country rates put into their hands to collect, & upon their non paym^{ts} to make distress upon them, & because some constables want some papers of accounts, which are with the Treasurer, & so cant declare to the Town [III—257.] what is payd, or to be payd, or why the Treasurer desires more, also seing the Court have allowed an abatem^t of fifty pound in y^e £24,000 Rate & yet no discretion is sent to the Town to shew how that abatem^t is to be applyed, Therefore the Town do vote, that something be drawn up in writing to Lay before the Treasurer or Genll Courte, that the respective Constables have more tyme to collect s^d arreares, & that the Towns Representative Or some other meet person do p^rsent the same, also that he get a Coppy of said abatem^t, that y^e worke may be done according to the mind or Intent of the Court, & that Deacon Burt Thomas Stebbins & Jn^o Holyoke Signe s^d writing in the name of the Town, the Worshipll Colonel Pynchon directing for the s^d draught:

At a Town meeting: Nov. 22: 1694:

It was voted to have a Committee of Three men to proportion the abatement of fifty pounds that the General Court have granted to this Town out of the Rate of £24,000 & that those Three men be L^t John Hitchcocke Tho: Stebbins & John Holyoke.

Also It was voted & concluded that there be Two men of this Town appointed to discourse wth the other Towns or the Selectmen of the other Towns of this County, that the whole County may unanimously address themselves to the Genll Court wth their unanimous voice that this County may be allowed to pay their Country Rates in some other Specie then money & that Henry Chapin & Leuit Abel Wright be the two men so to do, & make y^r returne to the Town.

Also it was voted that Colon^l Jn^o Pynchon Esq & L^t John Hitchcocke should examine the accounts of y^e Constables Jose: Bedortha & Samll Bliss 3^d as to the Money Rates y^r were to collect & to se what each mens paym^t that hath been

made in grain fals short of what was each mans due to pay. & that what they shal find to fal short in each mans s^d Rate that they Lay the same to such persons y^mselves to pay to s^d Constables:

It was also voted that the ancient order, [page 28.] about seating Persons in the meeting house be attended from time to time.

Also it was voted & concluded that the Selectmen doe cal upon the Constables Daniel Cooley & John Warner for the overplus money in the Country Rate more then they were to pay to the Country Treasurer, w^{ch} overplus they were to gather for the use of the Towne, & that s^d Select men receive s^d overplus, at their hands, as also that they search after the money was due for the Towns Tar, & receive that, & that haveing got the money they se that John Holyoke his Country rate in s^d Constables List be fully paid.

At a Town Meeting: January 16: 1694.

Whereas some of the Constables, & in particular Constable Joseph Bedortha & Constable Samll Bliss 3^d have in their accounts wth the Country Treasurer give in divers things that we Judge ought to be set of in the Country Rates they were to pay to the Treasurer, or for which they ought to have credite given y^m by the s^d Treasure, & yet those things are disallowed by the Court & the s^d Constables are made Debtors to the Treasurer or Country to the value of those particulars, Therefore the Town do now vote that a Petition should be formed & sent to the Genll Court that they would accept what those Constables have done to the Compleating of the payments of the Country Rates put into their hands to collect & that those Constables [111—258.] may have Credite in the value of those particulars: & that Deacon Burt Thomas Stebbins & John Holyoke should write that Petition in the Name of the Town & send it to the Genll Court:

It was also voted that the Towns mind how they would have the Genll Court addressed by the Countys Petition, that this County might not be required to pay their Country Rates in money, but that they might pay their proportion in

graine to the Constables, & soe be discharged, that this the Towns mind & formerly voted should be written & Sent to the other Towns of this County, & that this be done by Henry Chapin & Lt Wright, the Town Clerke joining with them.

A Cobby of the Province Treasurers receite given to Constable James Warriner.

Boston Jan^y 26: 1694.

Received of m^r James Warriner Constable of Springfield, Eighteen pounds eleven shillings & six pence, being in ful of a Warrant for Twenty four pounds nineteen shillings. I say received for m^r James Taylor Treasurer.

P Jer.:Allen

£18: 11^s: 6^d:

Examined & Comp^d wth the original Receite, & vera Copia.
attest Jn^o Holyoke Town Clerk

At a Town meeting ffebr: 5: 1694.

It was voted that the Arrears of the Purchase rate for the ministry Land, be put into the Constables hands of the yeer, & that they se to it, that wthin a months tyme the whole be payd by the persons y^t are behind, or that the Constable to whom it is comitted pay the s^d arreares.

It was voted that Ens. Joseph Stebin be impowered To se to it that the Select men & the Constables of the Several yeeres, wthin there are arrears of the Rates of the Rev^d m^r Pelati: Glover uncollected, do forthwith attend the Two acts or votes of the Town respecting said arreares in April 3: 1693, & in March 13: 1693-4 & that they finish y^r collections; & when any persons are dead or removed, & no estate to be had, that y^e respective Select men do give account of the rates such persons to y^e Select men of the next choice, & that they shall adde y^m the next Town Rate. It was also voted that what is payable to m^r Pela: Glover for the unpaid part of the Purchase rate be by the p^sent Select men set wth the Town Rate or added to the sums of the Persons in the p^sent Town Rate, y^t are behind hand in paying s^d Purchase Rate:

It was voted that Deacon Burt John Dorchester & David Morgan do get an account of the Names of those persons

who already are seated in the Meeting house, & yet have no Interest in any Seates, by any former paym^t, as also of those Persons who shalbe seated, & have no Interest in any seates as afores^d, & that the Three [III—259.] Persons afore mentioned do proportion such Seated person the respective Seat Money & gather the said Seat Money of them, & then to pay the said money to Whom it is due.

March 12th 1694-5

At the Genll Town Meeting for Election of Town Officers: Henry Chapin & Joseph Ashley were chosen to examine the Selectmen Accounts.

Thomas Cooper Capt Tho: Colton Daniel Cooley Charles ferrey Sen^r & John Holyoke were chosen Select men to act in & manage the prudential affaires of the Town.

John Holyoke was chosen Clerke for the Town.

James Barker & Isaac Colton were chosen Constables & Sworne.

Ensign Joseph Stebbins was chosen Treasurer for the Towne

Nathaneel Burt Sen^r John Burt James Tailor Sen^r John ferrey & Thomas Jones were chosen Tithing men for their Respective precincts.

Thomas Lamb Thomas Day Junior & Samuel Ely were chosen Surveiors of y^e high wayes.

Thomas Day Junior was chosen Sealer for Leather.

The Town Clerke was voted Toller for horses, viz John Holyoke.

The fence veiwers for the Several feilds were chosen as follow, viz: for Chickupi feild Samll Miller & John Bag; for the feild over the River on the North side of Agawam, Ebenezer Jones & Ebenezer Miller, as also for Paucatucke; for the South side of Agawam James Stevenson & Tho: Miricke Jun^r; for the Plaine Increase Sikes Sen^r, & Joseph Willeston; & for Long medow Joseph Cooley & Nath. Burt Jun^r; & for the homelots John Warner & David Lumbard:

Nathanel Mun was chosen Clerk of the Market

It was voted that wⁿ we have Town Meetings, y^t y^r be

general notices of the particulars to be acted on in the warrant for said meetings or at the beginning of said Meetings or otherwise not to be acted on.

Whereas there is considerable worke to be done to make the ministry house & the Land Tenantable, y^t is the homelot Land & the medow. It was voted that the Selectmen se to it that the house be forthwith repaired, & the respective fences set up, & that what the Last yeers Rent falls short to pay for we emburse.

It was declared by vote that Capt Germons Time for improving the Pine trees for Rosin is expired, & that neither he nor any other stranger shal make use of the Pines for Rosin without their application to the Town, & the Towns consent.

It was further voted that the Select men shal agree among y^mselves w^{ch} of y^m from tyme to tyme shal be moderator at our Town Meetings, & y^e s^d Select men so agree one shal manage the carrying on of al matters in each Town Meeting, presiding for every mans orderly or quiet demeanor & Speaking, according to Liberty or Leave granted for Speaking One after another, & not to allow more yⁿ one to Speak at a tyme; or any to Speak in a tumultuous maner, & after a vote put by the Moderator, & the debate thereby Issued, Then (onles the vote be doubtfull & need clearing) al to acquiesse & rest y^{rin}, except the Moderator upon apparent & good reason se Cause again to reassume the matter, & allow further debate, w^{ch} is not to be wthout weighty Cause, nor wthout the moderators plain & expresse allownace. And at the genll Town Meeting in march for the choice of Town officers, one of the former Select men to manage the affaire of the day, at Least the former part of the day.

It was farther voted That the Select mens accounts of Debts & Credite of the Town for the yeer past shalbe always by them made up, & delivered yeerly unto the Town Treasurer five dayes before the Genll Town Meeting in March, & by [III—260.] said Treasurer be examined perfected, & brought to a ballance, & be presented & read to the Town at the General Town meeting for their acceptance & what mon-

ey is due to the Town upon the ballance of the Select Mens acco's they shal from time to time in march yearly pay it in to the Towns Treasurer wthin six dayes after he is chosen yeerly: & for want thereof (except the Select men make it appeare to the Treasurer that it Lyes in the Constables hands, & that he in fault) the s^d Town Treasurer shal & hereby is enabled to sue any Selectmen neglecting to pay in the ballance before any Justice of the peace if under forty shillings, & if above forty shillings, at the next Inferior Court of Pleas, so that it shal be recoverable from the neglecting Select men by the Town Treasurer for the Towns use fro time to time. More over the Town Treasurer shal have power to cal in any dues to the Town or the Poor thereof from any Person whatsoever that are not accounted or allowed to the Towne, who they be due by rats rent contract gift forfeitures or any other wayes by y^e Laws made payable to the Town, & the Treasurer for the Town shal have power to recover what ever of Right any Person or Persons officer or Officers of the Town ought to have allowed or aid to y^e Town al w^{ch} the Treasurer is to pay or allow to y^e Select men or y^r order.

At a Town Meeting March 27: 1695.

Haywards to the Genll feilds were chosen viz: for Chick-uppi feild on the west side the great River Samll Bedortha; for the feild over the River ag^t the Town henry Rogers & Nath Dumbleton; for the Plain feild & Three Corner medow ffrancis Ball & Pelatiah Morgan; for the Homelots James Warriner Jun^r & Samll Hitchcocke; for Long medow Samll Keep:

At a Town Meeting July 26 1695.

Leiut John Hitchcocke was chosen Comissioner for publique Assessm^{ts}.

At a Town Meeting November 4: 1695:

whereas our Neighbors on the West side the great River have made y^r Petition to y^e Genll Court Last may that may have Leave to procure y^m a minister it was voted that there should be something drawn up to send to y^e Genll Court to answer that y^r Petition, & that Deacon Burt & Lt Abel Wright should draw up the answer y^runto.

At a Town Meeting January 23: 1695

It was voted to give m^r Pelatiah Glover a deed to Secure to him the Land that the Town did give him in way of Compensation for the ministry Land that he resigned up in the Towns hands; as also that he getting a deed for that and written that y^e present Select men or the next chosen do set their hands thereto. It was further again voted that the Town Treasurer should se to the getting the arrears of the rates payable to the Reverend m^r Glover his father, & that he so Looke after the matter as that he bring al to an Issue.

There being present at this Meeting a List of the Names of the proprietors & other Inhabitants of this Town, bearing date March 1685, to have the comon Lands of this Town disposed or divided to them; these Lists being read It was voted that the Right of the Comons Lands be saved to the persons contained in said List.

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At the General Town Meeting, March 10: 1695-6

m^r Pelatiah Glover & Henry Chapin were chosen to examine the Selectmens accounts: It was voted to add a 3^d man to the Committee for examining said accounts & John Barber was y^rupon added to s^d Committee.

m^r John Pynchon Jun^r, James Warriner Luke Hitchcocke Edward Stebbin and Benjamin Leonard were chosen Select men to manage y^e prudential affaires of the Town for a year ensuing.

m^r Pynchon Junio^r was chosen Town Clerke for the year ensuing.

Henry Chapin was chosen Comissioner for the publike Assessm^{ts}.

Ens Joseph Stebbins was chosen Treasurer for the Towne.

Joseph Leonard & Samll Stebbin were chosen Constables, & s^d Stebbin was Sworn.

And votes for County Treasurer were given in at this meeting, & s^d Constables Samll Stebbin received y^m to transmit y^m to the next Genll Quarter Sessions.

John Burt was chosen Measurer for the Towns Lands.

Ebenezer Parsons was chosen Sealer for Leather.

Nathaneel Mun was chosen Clerk of the Market.

Samuel Lamb was chosen Packer Gager & Culler.

Samll Bliss 3^d James Warriner Jun^r & Nathanel Dumbleton were chosen Surveiors of the high wayes.

Eliakim Cooley Charles fferrey Sen^r Benja: Stebbin Senior John Seket & Ebenezer Jones were chosen Tithing men.

Fence Veiewers were chosen, viz for the homelots Tho: Mirick Jun^r & Henry Burt; for the Plain feild Jn^o Hitchcock Jun^r & Tho: Lamb; for Chickupi Eus Stebin & Da: Morgan; for y^e North of Agawam Henry Rogers & Jn^o Mirick; for South Agawam, James Sikes & James Mun; for the Long meadow Nathaneel Bliss & Samuel Keep:

Haywards were chosen, viz: for the Homelots Philip Smith; for the Plain Nath: Morgan; for Chickupi William Craney; for the feild over the River ag^t the Town Samuel Hitchcock & William Warriner; for the Long meadow Jonathan Burt Jun^r

It was voted to abate the fines payable from Japhet Chapin & Lt Jn^o Hitchcocke for y^r refusing to Serve as Select men when they were chosen thereto at the foregoing Town Meeting for choice of such officers.

It was voted to allow David Morgan the sum of Tho: Tailor deceased his Rate & y^e Sum of m^r Humbers Rate in the Twenty Rates for the Country Anno: 1691: w^{ch} he was to gather

It was voted that the former Select men should forthwth make a rate to paym^t Pelatiah Glover the arreares of Sundry Persons who were rated to the Reverend his father deceased, said Persons being dead or removed & haveing Left no Estate to be come at, & s^d Selectmen are to proportion it on the p^rsent Inhabitants, & put the same Into the hands of the Constable or Town Treasurer.

m^r Pelatiah Glover p^rsenting a deed w^{ch} he had got drawn for the Securing of The Towns Lands at Chickupi unto him & desiring that the said deed might be signed by the Town or the Selectmen, It being objected by some that the Land

Could not be disposed away fro the Towns propriety. The Town did appoint a Committee to treat s^d m^r Glover, what he would accept as the recompence in leiu of the Land & to endeavor an Issue of the whole affair between the Town & m^r Glover, & to make return of what they do to the Towne. The Comittee appointed were Colonll John Pynchon, Deac: Jona: Burt & Ens Jose. Stebbin wth the p^rsent Select Men:
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At a Towne Meeting March 19th: 1695-6

Joseph Bedortha Henry Rogers Thomas Day Jun^r Samll Miler & Josiah Marshfeild have there desire granted them according to there motion made January 23^d: 1695:

Joseph Leonard hath his desire granted him according to his Motion made March 10th 1695-6 provided hee dos not obstruct the Towns liberty & Freedom for Fishing, & that noe former Grant hath been made.

Itt Being contrary to the method of this Booke to enter Grants in this place, and that the same ord^r that hath been formerly, might yet bee continued. The abovesaid grants are removed back to page 209: And the following are the Acts and orders of the Towne. And the end of this Meeting vizt. on March 19th 1695-6: Is to declare unto the Towne that Coll Jn^o Pynchon Deacon Jonathan Burt Ensigne Joseph Stebbins & the present Select men beeing a committee appointed by the Towne for that end, did on the 16th of this Instant meet with & signify unto m^r Pelatiah Glover, that since hee had in the last generall Towne meeting freely offered to take Eight score pounds in money in Leiw of the Lnd att Chickuppy, that the Towne would comply with his motion, & speedy care should also bee taken for payment of said money, Butt m^r Glover's Answer was that the money was not beeing then paid downe itt would bee to his dammage to accept itt now, whereupon the committee replied that they could not see how the want of such a sum of money for soe short a time could bee soe much to his dammage however beeing unwilling that hee should in the least bee a sufferer they Tendered him besides the Eight score pound in money

the use of Chickuppy land & the Town Meadow for a yeer. Butt m^r Glover not chosing therewith the Select men appointed this day that the Towne might consider what measures to take for the Issuing of this affair, and in order thereunto the Towne made severall propositions which proving Ineffectual they desired m^r Glover to make his own proposalls telling him that they were very desirous that there might bee a friendly Issue, whereupon m^r Glover declared that if the Towne would allow him Nine score pound in money Two Thirds to bee paid in June next & the other Third to bee aboutt September or October, & also let [III—263.] him have the use of Chickuppy land for the yeer ensuing, That itt should bee in full satisfaction for that land of Chickuppy which the Towne voted & m^r Glover also accepted, should bee in full satisfaction of the award determining what wee should allow him in Leiu of the ministry land which hee resigned up into the Towns hand, unto which motion the Towne readily yeilded and Forthwith voted & ordered that the present Select men should give Bill for payment of said summ of money according to the time prefixt, and also that a rate should bee made according to the last winters list for the raising of said sum of money.

Voted that the ancient Appropriation of Chickuppy land on the west side of the River bee to the maintenance of a Schole in the Towne of Springfeild, Also voted that the six Acres of Meadow bee itt more or less on the East side of the River lying between the Meadow of Colonel John Pynchon on the South East & the Meadow of Edward Stebbins on the North-west side bee appropriated to the same use, and is now granted unto that use, viz: towards the maintenance of a school in The Town of Springfeild forever.

Att a Towne Mecting May 15th 1696.

Serjant Luke Hitchcock was chosen Representative for the next Great and Generall Assembly on the 27th of May 1696.

Att a Towne Meeting May 26th: 1696.

Voted that Serjant Luke Hitchcock who was chosen Rep-

representative for the Towne of Springfeild is now chosen Agent to give in those Reasons & objections which the Inhabitants of Springfeild on the East side of the great River have drawn up to present unto the next great & generall Assembly or Court beginning May 27th: 1696: Showing, why the Inhabitants on the west side of the River may not have there petition Granted them.

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M^r John Holioke Cap^t Thomas Colton Daniel Cooley Charles Ferry Deacon Jonathan Burt and L^t Abel Wright were chosen a Committee to draw up the Townes objections & reasons why the Inhabitants on the west side of the River should not have there petition granted them, for the settling of a minister on that side, which said reasons are to bee sent to Boston to bee laid before the generall Assembly or Court beginning 27th Instant: And that the Inhabitants on the East side of the River may bee acquainted wth s^d objections or reasons the abovesaid Committee have appointed the schoole-house to bee the place for there meeting, & that any of the forementioned Inhabitants have liberty att five of the Clock in the afternoon to repair thither & wth freedom bee Informed of s^d Reasons or objections that they shall Judge meet to Send Serj: Luke Hitchcock who is made choice of to act in that affair:

Att a Towne Meeting 21st July 1696:

Voted that Colonel Jn^o Pynchon Jn^o Barber & Nathanael Bliss bee the Assessors for this p^rsent Country Tax of 80£ according to an act of the Genll Assembly begun & held 27th May 1696

Deacon Jonathan Burt James Warriner Cap^t Thomas Colton & L^t Abel Wright are chosen by the Inhabitants of the East Side of the River to give in there reasons why the petition of the Inhabitants of the West side of the River should not bee granted, unto the Committee appointed by the Generll Assembly to hear the same and make a report thereof at the next sitting of the Genll Assembly or Court.

Att a Towne Meeting 5th December 1696

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Colonel Jn^o Pynchon & m^r Joseph Parsons haveing at this meeting made some proposals in order to the setting up & carrying on an Iron Mill for the producing of Iron, and the Towne considering the great benefitt itt will bee to this place have granted them free liberty for the takeing & Improving all & what ever Iron Ore may bee found any where wthin our Towneship (Propriety only excepted) also the free use of wood for Coal any where in our commons provided it bee not wthin three mile & halfe of the Towne, and wthin that compass also if the Select men (who now have power given them fr^m time to time soe to doo) give liberty soe to doo.

Att the generall Town Meeting March 9th: 1696-7

Deacon Jonathan Burt Henry Chapin James Warriner S^r Samll Bliss S^r & Joⁿ Warner were chosen Select men for the year ensueing.

Deacon Jonathan Burt was chosen Towne Clerke for the year ensueing.

Ensigne Joseph Stebbin was chosen Towne Treasurer.

John Miller & John Ferry were chosen Constables.

The votes for County Treasurer were brought in & committed to Constable Joⁿ Ferry to transmitt to the next quarter Sessions as the law directs.

David Morgan John Mirick John Petty Henry Burt & Samll Bliss 2d were chosen Tithing men for the year ensueing.

Nathanael Mun was chosen Clerk of the Market & Sealer of weights & measures for the year following.

Benjamin Stebbin & Thomas Bliss 1st Surveyor for the East side and James Taylor Sen^r Surveyor for the west side of the great River.

Samll Lamb was chosen Packer Gager & Culler.

John Harmon & James Dorchester fence veivers for the homelotts.

Samll Lamb & Jehoiadah Bartlett fence veivers for the plain.

Nathanael Morgan & James Gerald fence veivers for Chickuppy.

Henry Roger & Samll Miller for the North of Agawam are chosen fence veiwers.

Isaac Frost & Samll Cooper fence veiwers for the South of Agawam.

Eliakim Cooley & John Colton Fence Veiwers for the Long Meadow.

Luke Hitchcock was chosen Sealer for leather.

Haywards chosen are Thomas Lamb for the Plain Benjamin Dorchester & John Harmon for the Homelotts, William Mackcranny for Chickuppy, James Taylor jun^r & John Day for over the River, John Burt 2^d for Long Meadow.

John Petty & John Burt were chosen Town Measurers for Land.

Colonel John Pynchon Cap^t Thomas Colton & Japhat Chapin were chosen Assessors.

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Att the Same Meeting vizt March 9th 1696-7

Voted that upon Condition Colonel John Pynchon & Joseph Parsons of Northampton will not damnify the way for passing over Mill River by there setting up an Iron worke upon the Stream below the Mill now standing upon the place commonly caled the Mill River, also that Colonel Pynchon will allow the takeing of Tole for grinding to bee the fourtenth of Rye, the Sixtenth of wheat, the Twentieth of Malt, Also the fourtenth part of Indian Corne soe long as it holds to bee Two shillings six pence a bushel in money, and when or soe soon as that grain vizt Indian Corne lowers of the abovesaid price of 2^s 6^d a bushell in money then the Tole for that grain to bee the Twelfth part, That then the abovenamed Colonel John Pynchon & Joseph Parsons have free liberty granted them to set up an Iron worke or Mill upon the Mill River below the place where the Corne Mill is now standing and when the designe of the Iron worke is wholly laid aside & Ceaseth then the Stream to bee under the same circumstance itt was before this Grantt: Further the said Colonel Pynchon and his Heirs are to keep & maintain a Corne Mill for a Sufficient Supply of the Towne soe long as

the Iron worke continue unless some overruling extraordinary providence dos prevent.

At a Town meeting May 4th, 1698. Jonathan Burt Town Clerk, voted may the 10 1698 that the owners of the Iron mill should mend and repare the high way that is dammified by there seting up an Iron Mill.

Voted to allow W^m Mackcranny Twenty shillings outt of the Rates for his killing four Cattamounts, itt was also further voted that if any of the Inhabitants of this Town shall hereafter kill or destroy any of the forementioned wild creatures wthin the Bounds of this Towne & bring the heads & taile of every one soe killed unto the Select men or Towne Treasurer they shall bee allowed for soe doing five shillings for every such creature soe destroyed.

[In the handwriting of Jonathan Burt.]

At a Towne meeting may 4th 1697.

Serjant Luke hitchcock was Chosen Representative for the next great general Assembly or Court to be held at Boston begining on the 26th of may 1697

Also it was voted that the generall Court may be desired by our representative that there may be but only two Courts holden in on yeare in this Countie.

It was also voted to Alowe m^r John holyoke twentie shillings in money and twenty shillings out of the Towne rate made in 1695 which is to satisfie him for his being a Deputy in 1692

Also at this Towne meeting Nathaniell Bliss and Benjamin Stebbins were Chosen Jury men for the Court of please to be holden at northampton the first Tuesday in June 1697.

Jonathan Burt Clerk.

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At a Town meeting Desember the 3^d 1697

voted and Concluded that al such as the Towne shal be In-debted unto on any tru Account such persons shal give in there account to some of the Select men at or before the month of november yearly or stay for there pay till a nother rate be made.

voted that the Select men have liberty to make a rate of ten pound to defray Towne Charges this yeare, but no Towne rate was then made.

voted that James Garrell be exempted from Towne rates this yeare by reason of gods Afflicting hand upon his family.

at a Town meeting ffebruary the 7th 1697 voted that what sume of mony or pay Comitted to Samuell Stebbins to be gotten in due from the Town rate made in 1697 he shal be abated on therd part if he pay it in mony

At the generall Towne meeting march the 8th 1697-8

Leutenant John hitchcock Benjamin Stebbins m^r Pelitiah glover Leutenant Abel wright John warner: were Chosen select men for the yeare. Jonathan Burt Seny^r was Chosen Towne Clerke for the yeare ensuing.

Samuell ely and henry Roggers were Chosen Constables

m^r John holyoke Chosen Commitiner to Joyne with the Select men in making the Country rates.

Danyell Bemon ebenezzer graves Chosen Serveyeers of the high ways on the east side of the river nathanyell Dumbleton serveyer on the west side of it

John Burt Seny^r phylp Smith obadiah miller Junr edward ffoster and elyakim Cooly weare Chosen Tything men

Thomas merick Junyr James warryner henry fferry veivers of the whome lots nathall Sicks Robberth ould senre veivers for the playne Joseph Ashley John Day ffence veivers of the feild for the north side of Agum James merick and Samuell Bliss Senre veivers on the South side aguam Daniell Cooly John Burt Junyr fence veivers for Long meadow willyam mack Crany and Joseph ely fence veivers for Chicopie feild ebenezzer Day and Samuell warryner haywards for the home lots Isaack ffrost hayward over aguam river James Taylor Senyr hayward on the north side of Agawam river Samull hitchcock and willyam warryner also for the s^d feild Joseph willyston and natha mun hawards for the plaine east side of the river David Burt Thomas Bliss Junyr hawards for Long meadow James Barker and nathall morgan hawards for Chicopie ffeild.

James Barker and nathall morgan Chosen Clerke of the market.

Sergantt Luke hitchcock sealer of leather

John Burt Senyr and John pettie, Measurers of lands.

Sargant Luke hitchcock Towne Treasurer

At a Towne meeting may the tenth 1698

Sargant Luke hitchcock and Ensigne Joseph Stebbins were Chosen Representitives for this yeare viz sucessively on at a tyme to goe to the Court Sargant Luke hitchcock was Chosen for the first session and Ensigne Joseph Stebbins for the next

Also voted that the high way over o^r Streete in the uper end of the Towne from the lower side of the widdow parsons meddow against m^r glovers and up to the upper Causey shall be in Bredth from the ffence now at the front of those lots on the west side to the ditch allredy or formerly made on the east side of s^d Street.

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At a Towne meeting november 24th 1698 it was voted that the general Court be petitioned unto that this Towne may be freed from keeping a gramer scoole and that they keepe three or foure schoole masters or scoole dames to teach to read english and the worshipful Colonel pinchon and Jonathan Burt Senyr ar desired to lay the Curcomstances before the honered Court of this Towne.

voted that James warryner Senyr hath liberty granted him for pastering in the Buring place at the reer of that home lot that was his fathers he fencing and Clearing it and set up a Convenyent pare of Barrs or gate so as none be hindered from Buringe theirre ffriends in it

voted that the Towne wil do on halfe to the reparing of high way at the Iron Mill for this present turme and to maine-taine it if the owners of the mill will do the other halfe and this halfe to be done by way of rate.

voted that m^r Joseph Smith keep scoole till the 14th of January next ensuing and those scolars as have gone to him to scoole pay toward it and the rest the Towne pay

At a Towne meeting february 3^d 1698 it being spoken by some that they suppose there may be mony due to the Towne by the remainder of some rates undesposed of the Towne make Choys of henry Chapin Leiftenant John hitcheocke James warriner Senyr and Jonathan Burt Senyr who are desired and Impowered to make Inquiry about it or any three of them may acte in it and make reporte of it to the Towne also voted to give ensine Joseph Stebbins on shilling on the pound for Colecting the Arears of the remainder of such rates committed to him to gather in he making up his account before next Towne meeting to such as comited them to him.

also voted that wheare as some have desired to have some Lands given to them at great watchchuet it was voted that no grants of land should be made to any person in that place until the lyne be run that it may be knowne whether it may be given or not.

At a generall Towne Meeting march 14th 1698-9 voted that the deede signed and acknowledged by m^r Pelytiah glover a boutte the ministry land be taken it may be recorded in the County records

voted also when any person shall have his desire for land red in Towne meeting and the Clerk puting his attest to it the party desiring it shal take it with him againe and keepe it till it be granted

at the same Towne meeting march 14th 1698-9 m^r woodbridge haveing had his desire red at a former Towne meeting that the Towne would give him a parcel of land on the west side of the river it was thought good or best by som that on halfe of it should see settled on the ministry and so it was put to vote to se if the Towne would give on halfe to m^r woodbridge and the other halfe to the ministry and some said it was voted in the affirmative, but a great many persons said it was not voted but in the negative. The moderator did onse try it by parting the Inhabitants and it was voted in the negative. The Clerke of the Towne desired the moderator to make Tryal againe by sending the Inhabitants those as was for it to goe on way and those against it a nother way that hee

might make a record of the vote of the Towne but could not attaine it and the day ffarr spent the Towne voted to suspend for the present until another Towne meeting.

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At a generall Towne Meeting March 14th 1698-9.

Isack Colton Leutenant John hitchcock Samuell Bliss Senyr ensigne Joseph Stebins John Myrick Chosen Select Men.

Jonathan Burt Towne Clerke.

Thomas Day Junyr Tilly myrick Constables.

m^r John holyoke Leutenant John hitchcocke Isaacke Coulton Sesers for making the Country rates.

Sergant Luke hitchcock Towne Treasurer.

James warryner David Morgan David Lumbard Samuell Stebbins James Taylor Senyr Tything men.

nathanyell mun Clerke of the market

Sergant Luke hitchcock Sealer of Leather

John Dorchester obadyah miller Surveyors of the high ways on the east side of the River John miler surveyor on the west side of it.

Joseph Parsons Thomas Bliss veivers of ffences for the home lots edward ffoster Samuell Bedurtha veivers of fences on the north side of aguam James Dorchester Henry Burt veivers of fences on the South side aguam willyam Scot John Bagg veivers of fences for Chycopie feild Benjamin Cooly John Colton veivers of fences for Long meadow Joseph Willyston edward Stebbins veivers of fences for 3 corner meadow and the pleane, and those as were chosen veivers of fences weare also chosen haywards.

John Burt Seny^r and John Petty Chosen mesurers of Land

At a meeting of the ffreeholders of this Towne May 9th 1699 Leutenant John hitchcock was made Choise of for representative for the generall Court holden at Boston the 31st of this Instant May and also for the sessions of this yeare

It was also voted that Leiftenant John hitchcock and leiftenant Abel Wright was apoynted to lay out the high ways at Skipnup.

At a Town meeting november 27th 1699 voted that the Select men have Libertie to make a rate of ten or twelve pounds if neede be to defray nesary Town Charges this yeare.

At a Town meeting January 29 1699 voted that a Committee be Chosen to looke after al old areirs that may be due to the Towne and see and make up al accounts with ensine Joseph Stebbins former Towne Treasurer with full power to take a thorow a way as they can to effect the getting in of any money due to the Towne the persons made Choys of were m^r John holyoke ensine Joseph Stebbins James warriner Senyr Jonathan Burt Senyr and Leiftenant John Hitchcock if he be at home.

voted also that the Select men have lyberty granted to raise 16 pound 12 shillings to defray Towne charges wheareas formerly at a meeting of the Towne it was but ten or twelve pounds: but with this Pviso that if the comitie find any mony due to the Towne and help the Select men to it in a months tyme it shal be abated out of the sum granted also, that Constable Samuell Stebbins shal have Tymothy Moses purchas rate made in 1696 given him [III—270.]

At a generall Towne meeting March 12th 1699-1700

these persons made Choys of to there several offis The worshipful Colonell Pynchon Chosen moderator for that day, ensign Joseph Stebbins edward Stebbins Japhet Chapin James warryner Senyr Captin Thomas Colton Selectmen

hezekiah Diggeson Benjamin Leanerd and Danyell Cooly Constables

Sergant Luke hitchcock Town Treasurer

Jonathan Burt Town Clerke

John harmon Senyr Jonathan morgan John Dorchester Charles fferry nathanyll Burt Juny^r tythin men

Thomas Lamb Thomas mirick Juny^r Thomas Bliss Serveiwers of high ways James Barber Serveiwers of the high ways over the great river

henry Roggers Nathanyell Dumbleton nathanyel morgan Samuell keepe ephraim Colton John Burt Seny^r willyam Bliss vewers of ffences the same persons Chosen haywards also

willyam Cranny John hitchcock Juny^r and Samuel hitchcock
Seny^r ffence viewers

ebenezer Parsons Sealer of Leather

nathanaell mun Clerk of the market

John Burt Seny^r and John Pettie measurers of Land

at the same Towne meeting march 12th voted that the Ser-
viewers of the high ways gave in theire acounts yearly at the
general Towne meeting or other wise that weeke or to the
Select men the next second day after the Towne meeting on
penenty of forfiting of Twenty shillings to the Towne

Ther being many Pyne trees in the Town Commons the
Improvement where of for Turpintine may yeald and be an
estate more or less to the Towne for the regulating the Im-
provement of the same it is declared that henceforward it
shal not be lawfull for any Stranger to Improve the same that
the Towne may have som Benefit there by it is declared that
hence forward it shall not be lawfull for any Stranger to Im-
prove the same nor without allowance from the Select men
shal the Inhabytants proseed further there in and the Select
men here by Alowed to grant Lyberty to such persons as
they think fit upon such Considerations they think fit not hin-
dering any Inhabytant of the tymbber for there uss This is
suspended for the present But ordered that no Strangers or
men of other Townes shal by any Inhabitant be entertained
to Box trees for Turpintine upon penalty of Twelpe pence per
tree.

march 12th 1699 John Dorchester and som that Joyne with
him have lyberty granted for this yeare of Chycopy River as
far up as Scununkanuck for fishing without hindering others

also voted that Abell wright Seny^r hath Lyberty to Im-
prove those trees he hath Alredy Boxed about 7 or 800

voted that notwithstanding what grants of land there hath
beene or shal be that al high ways that are or where there
shall be need heire after to be or shal be laid out thorow it
may goe thorow any man or mens grants that the Towne
shal not be Charged for such way or ways provided the s^d
land is not fenced at the tyme of this vote

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at a Towne meeting Aprill 29th 1700 m^r John Pynchon 3^d Captin Thomas Colton and James warryner Chosen assessors for making Country rates this yeare

At a Towne meeting may 10th 1700 voted that where as it is found by experience that in this Towne the high ways are Incroched upon by som persons this Towne have made Choys of Leiftenant John hitchcock James warryner Seny^r and Jonathan Burt Seny^r for to have an Inspectyon unto al high ways aboute this Towne that the s^d ways be not Intrenched upon and to proscut such persons as have or shal so doe namly incroch upon the Towne high ways to the Justises in Quarter Sessions this voat above was propounded by the moderator at the beginning of the meeting

M^r John Pynchon 3^d Chosen representative.

whereas it was intimated by Joseph Stebbins Town Treasurer as Soposing the purchase rate for m^r glovers land to be too littell and thereby ocasion it comming short of paying the Towns debt to m^r glover the Town at this meeting may 10th made Choys of m^r holyoke m^r Pynchon 3^d and Jonathan Burt Seny^r for to examine said purchas rate whether it wear so or not and m^r holyoke and m^r Pynchon the 3^d Cast up the originall rate so much of it as was in being part being lost and gon and that as was found to be in the originall rate amounted to the some of 145£ 18^s 07^d then they cast up that Coppie of the rate delivered to Joseph Leanard to gather in which had most of the mens names in it that was Lost in the original Coppie that amounts to 30£ 12^s 6^d but Japhet Chapins rat James Stepensons rat and James Taylors Juny^r rate could not be found upon the original Coppie nor that as Joseph Leanard had which m^r holyoak saith by Comparing thos mens estate with other mens estate it amounts to 4£ 16^s 0^d So that the best care that could be taken the whole rate was 181£ 07^s 1^d Taken out of the copie m^r holyoke gave mee Jonathan Burt Clerk

at a Towne meeting December 10th 1700

voted that Samuel ely be allowed 5^s 4^d as mony his Rate Comited to him to gather in failing short by reson of som

persons living out of the Towne whose rats he canot com at

it was also voted that the Select men have lyberty granted to raise a rate of sixteene pounds to defray Towne Charges this present yeare if there be need of so much they giving an acount to the Townes satisfaction of their disburstments

also voted that Luke hitchcock Towne Treasurer give an accounts of what he hath done for the Towne by way of his offis to the present Selectmen who are to agree with him what he is to have for his paines and the Selectmen are to make the Towne aquainted of what they do as to that matter

December 24th voted that the worshipful Colonell Pynchon and Sargant Luke hitchcock do make enquiry what payments weare made to the Constables of that rate in Sir edmund Andros tyme and how it was disposed of and make return of it to the general Court .

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At a Generall Towne meeting March 11th 1700

Those persons Chosen to Several offis in this Towne

henry Chapin m^r pelatiah glover John Barber David morgan ebenezzer Parsons Select men.

m^r John Pynchon 2^d Towne Clerke.

Joseph Cooly Thomas Bliss John Day Constables

m^r pelatiah glover Towne Treasurer

nathanyell Sikes John merick Joseph Stebbins Junyr Surveyors of the high ways:

ebenezzer Jons surveyor of the high ways west side of the river

nathanyel Burt Seny^r Incese Sicks Seny^r nathanyel mun James warryner Juny^r Samuell Bedurtha Seny^r Tything men

Joseph Bodurda John miller fence veivers pelatiah morgan Robbert olde veiver of fence for Chicopy pliane sargant Luke hitchcock Thomas Day Juny^r fens vewers for the plaine Isaack ffrost James Stevenson vewers of fence on the South side of agawam voted also that the fence veivers be haywards or feild drivers Jonathan Burt Juny^r and John Burt Seny^r veivers of fence for the long meddow also to be haywards for the same

pelatiah Bliss Sealer of Leather
 nathanyell mun Clerk of the market
 Samuell Lamb packer

John Burt Seny^r John pettie Seny^r mesurers of Land
 ·m^r pelatiah glover John Barber David morgan Sessors for
 making the Cuntry rats.

at this Towne meeting it was voted that no Stranger or
 any that are not proper Inhabitants of the Towne shal box
 any trees or Improve the sam for Turpentine nor draw any
 Candell wood for Tarr from tyme to tyme if they do they
 shall forfit the same

voted further no Inhabitant shal make or draw any Turpin-
 tine with out the consent and aprobaton of the Selectmen
 from tyme to tyme.

David Lumbard John ferry enter there decent against this
 vote.

where as there was a writing presented to the Towne that
 the grammer schoole might be kept seven months in the yeare
 on the west side of the river and at the long meadow: and the
 Towne plot to have it five months the town voted they would
 Condesend so far as that those on the west side of the river
 and long meadow should have him six months and the Towne
 plot five months for this yeare only

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[In the handwriting of John Pynchon, Jr.]

Att a meeting of the Free holders of this Towne May 12th
 1701 L^t John Hitchcock is chosen Representative for this
 Towne

Voted that the Select men Issue that affaire with Benj:
 Smith about his Rates relating to a contract made with him
 for his making & maintaining a Bridge at Paucatuck.

Voted that Serjant Luke Hitchcock & Deacon Joⁿ Barber
 doe look into & examine those Rates made in s^r Edmond An-
 dros his government & see who have paid & who have not &
 also what is become of the money, & make returne of their
 doings unto the Towne.

Att a meeting of the Inhabitants of this Towne Sept: 16,

1701 voted that the Plain feild as also the common field on the west side of the River bee not opened till the 4th of Octob^r.

Att a meeting of the Inhabitants of this Towne 21 Nov: 1701: Voted that the Select men make a Rate for raising 35£ to defray Towne charges for the year past, according to the particulars mentioned in the Select men's Book:

Voted that Joⁿ Pynchon Esq Deacon Jonathan Burt, Lt: John Hitchcock, Deacon Joⁿ Barber Deacon Eben: Parsons & Joⁿ Pynchon 2^d doe Treat wth the Reverend m^r Daniel Brewer, & m^r Joⁿ Woodbridge in ord^r to a comfortable Settlement^t of the ministry land, the Inhabitants on the West side haveing moved at this Meeting for the Same. Joⁿ Pynchon 2^d manifested his declining the same thing.

[In the handwriting of John Holyoke.]

March 10: 1701-2 At the General Town meeting for Election of Town officers for Springfield.

At this meeting Selectmen were chosen for the managing of the prudentiall affaires of the Town, viz: m^r John Pynchon 2^d m^r Pelatiah Glover John Barber John Warner & Samuel Ely.

m^r Pelatiah Glover John Warner & Samuel Ely were chosen Assessors, & tooke the oath appointed.

m^r Pelatiah Glover was chosen Treasurer for this Towne & Sworne.

John Holyoke was chosen clerke for the Towne, & tooke y^e oath appointed.

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Nathaneel Bliss Sen^r, Samuel Day & Joseph Willeston were chosen Constables for the yeer Ensuing, & being called to take the Constables oath y^e s^d Nathaneel Bliss refused to Serve In the office, whereupon the Towne proceeded to the choice of another man for a Constable, who is Nathaneel Burt Jun^r & then they al, except the sed Nathaneel Bliss, tooke the Constables oath. But said Nathanll Bliss, who was Legally chosen, refused both to take the said oath, or to pay down the fine.

John Burt Sen^r Joseph Stebbin Jun^r & James Warriner Jun^r Ebenezer Miller were chosen Surveio^rs for the high wayes of the Towne

Samuel Bliss the 3^d John Hitchcocke Jun^r & Nathaneel Dumbleton were chosen titling men.

Nathaneel Mun was chosen Clerk of the market.

James Tailor Jun^r Josias Leonard John Bagg & Samuel Barker Benjamin Wright, Ephraim Colton & George Colton, Thomas Barber, & Samuel Leonard Edward Stebin & Tho: Lamb were al chosen fence veivers for their Respective pre-cincts. James Tailor Jun^r Josi: Leonard Samll Leonard & Samll Barker tooke the oath of fence veiver the same day. Also the above s^d fence veivers were chosen feild Drivers.

John Burt Sen^r & John Petty were chosen Measurers for Land.

It was voted that a good sufficient Bridge be made over the Mil River, The surveiors are appointed & Impowered to se the worke done.

At a Town Meeting: May 8th 1702:

Leiut: John Hitchcocke was chosen Representative to attend the general Court or the General Assembly for this Province of the Massachusetts Bay.

At a Town Meeting: August 28: 1702.

Whereas Judah Wright of Northampton Sues m^r Pelatiah Glover Treasurer for the Town of Springfield for detaining four barrels of Turpentine, w^{ch} the s^d Judah Claims as his, The Town did at this meeting vote that s^d m^r Glover should go on defending his Case, & that they wil stand by him in the whole Cause or Case from Court to Court.

It was further voted that the Selectmen have ful power at any Time now or hereafter, to prosecute any person that hath or that shal cutt any Pine Trees, or any other Trees, or gather Turpentine of any of the Towns Pine Trees contrary to Law; also that the Select Men do take effectual care to get evidences to enable them to prosecute al such persons that shal trespasse in meddling wth the Townes Pine Trees, or any other Trees contrary to Law, alsoe the s^d Select men shall be

satisfied by the Town al charges that they may be at in their prosecuting any Person that shal so Trespass.

January 5th, 1702-3 At a Town Meeting.

At this meeting the Select men gave an account of Town charges to the sum of Thirteen pounds & Sixteen shilling in grain, & also of other charges y^e Sum of Eleven pounds & Two pence in money, & The Inhabitants to satisfy y^ese charges.

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Jan: 29: 1702-3 At a Town Meeting

At this meeting Joseph Stebins Sen^r did move to the Town that they would take some effectual Course that he might be paid the four pounds & 2^s or thereabouts that he payed to m^r Pelatiah Glover wⁿ s^d Stebins was Town Treasurer, but wth his own money, that so he might hasten the takeing up of the bond the Town gave to s^d m^r Glover to pay him Nine score pound: or 180£. It was thereunto replyed that Serpeant Luke Hitchcocke had received as by his own acco^t appeared, Sixty & one pounds & five pence of the Rate that was made to pay m^r Glover according to said bond, but paid to said m^r Glover onely fifty five pounds & five shillings & no more. It was there upon voted that the p^rsent Town Treasurer do use his power to get in the remainder of s^d 6£ 0^s 5^d, w^{ch} is 5£ 15^s 5^d. Deaco: Burt did desire to have his dissent to said vote entered.

Here followes a Cobby of y^e Address of the Inhabitants of Longmedow in Springfeild to the Towne. (Se page 218:)

January y^e 29th 1702-3. We the Inhabitants of Lond medow in Springfeild, do make our Address to this Town of Springfeild, as followeth: We would declare our difficult circumstances.

1. O^r Living in a General feild, we are y^rly forced to be at gr^t charge to make Lanes or outlets for our Creatures.
2. By Reason of floods o^r lives been in gr^t danger, o^r houseing much damnified, & many of o^r cattle have been Lost
3. A Third difficulty (w^{ch} we shal mention in the last place) not that we count it a matter of least concernm^t, but because

in reason it wil be helpt in the last place & that is o^r Living remote from the publike Worship of God, as to hearing the word preached &c: & also our children are y^rby deprived of the benefits of Instruction by y^e Schoolmaster in the Town

Now for our releife we do Suppose our best way is to move out of the general feild, & build on the hil against Long med-ow, & we have been at the paines to measure what Lands we thought might be Convenient to build on, & we do find Land indifferently Convenient to build on for threescore or four-score lots, & to be Twenty Rod in breadth, & about Eighty Rod in length. We therefore do desire the Town to grant us said Lands, as homelots to build on, also that the Town would order those Lands to be Layed out & modeled in Such way & manner as may be most comfortable for settling thereon. We desire not this, that y^e Town, by granting this o^r desire, should be brought into any snare or inconvenience hereafter, but for o^r own benefite & Comfort & our Posterity after us. We subscribe

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Nathaneel Burt Sen^r
 Thomas Colton
 Eliakim Cooley
 Samuel Stebbins
 Samuel Bliss 2^d
 Nathaneel Bliss
 John Colton
 Nathanll Burt Jun^r
 George Colton
 Samuel Keep
 Daniel Cooley
 Benja. Cooley
 Joseph Cooley

Thereupon the Town did vote majo^r John Pynchon Japhet Chapin & Leiut John Hitchcocke to be a Comittee to go upon the Place & veiw the Lands, who are to make return of what they find to the Town.

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Also at this meeting was read the Secretary of the Province, his notification that y^e Inhabitants on the West the great River did p^rsent to the Genll Court last past that the said Court would determine for y^m a proportionable priviledge of y^e personage or ministry land in the Town of Springfeild, & that the said Court had appointed Samll Partridge Esq & the Representatives of Hampshire y^t were members of s^d Court to hear the matter, or what the Inhabitants on each side the great River had to say, & to make Return thereof to next Genll Cort in may next.

Also the Inhabitants on the west side great River desired their Neighbors on y^e East side of y^e gr^t River to consider their Petition, & allow or grant them a proportionable priviledge of said land as neer as they could come at, that it might bee presented to said Court to confirme the same, if a proportionable priviledge y^rof could be gained & the fourth day of february next was appointed by the East Inhabitants to meet to consider & conclude something about y^e p^rmisses.

February 4th 1702-3

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfeild on the East side of the great River

At this Meeting the s^d Inhabitants made choice of Deacon Jonathan Burt, Henry Chapin Sen^r, Leiut John Hitchcock & L^t Abel Wright to be a Comittee in behalfe of the Inhabitants on the East of the great River to Lay before the Comittee the Honoured Genll Co^rtes in y^e Last session appointed to hear what the Inhabitants of Springfeild on both sides of the gr^t River had to Say wth reference to the Late Petition the s^d honoured Genll Co^rte received from the Inhabitants of the West side the gr^t River wth reference to the Personage Lands & to act in said affaire, as God shal guide y^m the said Comittee for Inhabitants of the East side of y^e gr^t River of the Town of Springfeild.

At a meeting march 26: 1703.

Upon complaint of the defectiveness of y^e meeting house on the East side of y^e gr^t River, y^e Proprietors of said Meeting house did chuse a Comittee to inspect s^d Meeting house &

to take effectual Course to have the house repaired, & to bargain wth any man or men to provide al materials for any worke about the Turret, for gutters, for penthouses or porches to the doores, & boardes or clap boards for one side & One End of the house; & the men chosen were David Morgan Nathanl Burt Jun^r & John Holyoke, & they to keep for it accounts of al expences or disbursments, & It was further voted to make a rate of Twelve pounds for the present to encourage Workmen, & where any pay money they to have one third of their Rates abated:

ffebr: 22: 1702 At a third meeting the freeholders of the Town made choice of Leiut John Hitchcocke to be Representative at the next Genll Courte for the Province the march ensuing.

The same day the ffreeholders on the East side of the gr^t River did meet, & made choice of Serj^t Luke Hitchcocke to be added to the Committee mentioned in the third paragraph of this page, for the procuring Instructions to give said Representative, for the managing of the affaire respecting the ministry Land in this Town, to be considered at the said General Courte.

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March 9th: 1702-3 At a General Town Meeting for Election of Town Officers for Springfeild.

At this meeting were chosen Select men for the Managing the prudential affaires of the Town viz Eliakim Cooley Ens. Joseph Stebbins Edward Stebbins John Warner & Nathaneel Mun.

Assessors for the making the Rates of the Town were chosen viz: Eliakim Cooley Ens. Jose: Stebbins & John Barber. m^r Pelatiah Glover chosen Treasurer for the Town.

John Holyoke was chosen clerke for the Town.

John Miricke Thomas Horton & Charles ffere were chosen Constables & sworn

John Burt Sen^r Nathanl Burt Jun^r & John Petty were chosen Measurers for Land.

Edwin Stebbins & Ebenezer Miller were chosen Packers.

Pelataiah Bliss was chosen Sealer for Leather.

Samll Warner was chosen Clerke of the market, & Sworne.

Nathaneel Burt Sen^r Jonathan Morgan David Lumbard & Ebenezer Jones were chosen Tithing men for the yeer ensuing.

Samuel Keep Benja: Stebbins Tilly Miricke James Miricke & Obadiah Cooley were chosen Surveiors for the high wayes.

ffence veiwers were chosen viz: Tho Miricke Jun^r & Wm Blisse for the genll feild above Agawam, John ffere & James Sikes for s^d ffeild below Agawam, Jonathan Bag & James Barker for Chickupi feild on the west side the River, Obadiah Miller & Tho: Jones for the Plaine & Three Corner medow, Samll Chapin & Tho. Terrey for East Chickupi, David Burt & Thomas Hale for Long medow, And the same Persons were chosen ffeild Drivers for their Respective Precincts.

Benja: Brookes & Thomas Lamb, Nathanll Sikes & Obadiah Cooley John Atchinson and Samuel Colton were chosen to attend the Law about Swine, to Se to the Ringing & Yoking them.

At this meeting the Petition of the Inhabitants of Long medow p^rsented at the Town Meeting Jan: 29 1702-3 was considered, and it was voted to give them Liberty to build upon the hil Eastward of s^d Long medow.

It was further voted to give the land from Pacowsecke to Enfeilds bounds & from the hil eastward of the Long medow halfe a mile further Eastward into the woods unto the s^d Longmedow Inhabitants, & unto such others as a Committee appointed by the Town shal allow, in al which they shalbe ordered & modelled in such way & manner as may be most comfortable to settle on, Reserving liberty for convenient high wayes, And major John Pynchon Japhet Chapin & L^t John Hitchcocke were appointed to be the Comittee to se to the modelling & ordering of those said lands, & the charge of this worke to be born by the Longmedow Inhabitants & such others as shalbe added to the Long Medow Inhabitants.

Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r desired his dissent hereto to be entered.

April 28, 1703. at a Meeting of the ffreeholders May the 3^d Anno Dom: 1703.

At a Town Meeting: or a meeting of the freeholders, &c
Leit John Hitchcocke was chosen Representative for the Town to attend the General Co^rtes of the Province of the Massachusets Bay.

It was voted & concluded, that what ever Cart wayes the Towne now uses shal be stoped & Incumbered by reason of Persons boxing of Pine trees, the Improvers of said Trees shal remove such Nusance wthin a weekes Warning or else forfeit five shillings to the Towne.

April 23: 1703. At a meeting of the freeholders of the Town of Springfeild Henry Chapin was chosen Comissioner for this Town to join wth assessors for the Last Tax for their making a New List of al Estate of the Town both [III—278.] real & personal, In order to another Tax & to communicate the same wth the Rest of the comissioners for Hampshire, as the late Act respecting this affaيرة directs.

December 10th 1703 at a Meeting of the ffreeholders of the Town of Springfeild.

It was voted that the Select men do make a rate according the particulars of charges read In said Meeting amounting to about 24£ or 25£.

At this meeting L^t John Hitchcocke o^r Representative did show an order of the house of Representatives at y^e Genll Courte June 2^d 1703 upon a Petition of the Inhabitants of the East side of the Town of Springfeild, w^{ch} was read in said house, which order was that the said Petitioners, viz: the Inhabitants on the East side of the great River of s^d Town pay to the Inhabitants on the West side of y^e great River fifty pounds towards the building of y^e meeting house & that the said fifty pounds be in provision pay, Hereupon the said East side Inhabitants did vote to raise fifty pounds for them in provision pay if they would accept thereof.

Jan: 7: 1703-4 At a Town Meeting

At this meeting It was voted & concluded to raise Ten pounds for the releife of the poore, besides what was allowed

for y^e poor, in the particulars read at a former meeting Dec: 10: 1703:

At the General Town Meeting March 14: 1703-4 of the voters of Springfield.

At this Meeting were chosen Select men for the managing the prudential affaires of the Town for one yeer: viz, Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r James Warriner Sen^r Edward Stebbins Benjamin Leonard & Joseph Wolaston.

And Three of the Select men viz James Warriner Luke Hitchcocke & Benjamin Leonard were chosen Assessors for the Makeing the Rates of the Towne.

John Holyoke was chosen Clerke for the Towne.

Jonathan Burt Jun^r Tilly Miricke & Josias Leonard were chosen Constables & Sworne the same day.

Tithing men were chosen viz, Henry Burt William Warriner Pelatiah Blisse Samuel Ely & Joseph Cooley.

Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Sealer for Leather.

Samuel Warner was chosen Clerke of the Market.

Nathl Burt Jun^r & John Petty were chosen measurers for Lands

Thomas Bliss Sen^r Jonathan Day, Tho: Lamb Danll Cooley & James Miricke were chosen Surveiors of the high waves. [III—279.]

Thomas Bliss Jun^r & Geo: Colton, Ebenezer Graves & Joseph Stebin Jun^r Tho: Barber & Samll Leonard, Samll Day & John Day, John Chapin & Henry Chapin Jun^r & Samuel Hitchcocke & Thomas Lamb were chosen fence veivers, for their Respective precincts.

Obadiah Cooley & Nath Sikes were chosen Ringers for swine:

Nathanll Burt Joseph Wolaston & Thomas Horton were chosen & appointed to meet the p^rsent Select men viz those of the Last choice some time wⁿ Benjamin Leonard Comes home, to treat wth the Select men anno Dom: 1696, that were to pay the purchase rate to m^r Glover for y^e ministry Land, to se what may be done to get Leint Stebbins his money he sent said Select men to pay m^r Glover s^d Rate that so y^e s^d Select men might take up the Select men bond &c.

At this meeting the Inhabitants of Long medow did p^rsent their Petition wherein they did move that the Town would grant them Liberty to Invite procure & Settle an orthodox minister at the s^d Long medow w^{ch} petition was read at s^d Meeting & is on file.

April 21: 1704. At a Meeting of the ffreehold^rs &c. of Springfeild.

At this meeting it was declared that Judah Wright of Northampton sends to this Town to know whether the Town would allow or pay him the such grant hath been granted him in the matter of the Turpentine, to prevent his going to the Superior Court of Pleas for an order for execution & it was agreed & voted at this meeting to pay him the Judgment of Court granted to him Sept: Anno Dom: 1702 & the Additional charges by reason of Springfeild Towne Treasurers Appeale to the Superior Courte from the Judgm^t of s^d Sep^t Courte.

May 22: 1704: At a meeting of the ffreeholders &c of the Town of Springfeild.

At this meeting the voters of s^d Town made choice of Deacon John Hitchcocke to be their Representative at the General Courtes of y^e Province of the Massachusetts Bay for the present year.

November: 1704. At a Town Meeting: or meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild

It was voted that the Select men or assessors for s^d Town have power to asesse the Inhabitants, for the defraying of necessary Town Charges.

March 13th: 1704-5 At the Town meeting for the Election of The Towns Officers.

m^r John Pynchon Jun^r Leuit Joseph Stebbin Luke Hitchcock Sen^r Joseph Cooley Sen^r & John Miricke were chosen Select men for y^e managing the prudential affaires of y^e Towne

Leuit Joseph Stebbin Joseph Cooley Sen^r & Benjamin Leonard were chosen Assessors for making the Rates of the Town.

John Holyoke was chosen Clerke for the Town

Samuel Chapin Nathaniel Sikes & Ebenezer Miller were chosen Constables, & sworne.

Thomas Bliss Sen^r Samuel Hitchcocke & Joseph Stebbin Jun^r John Petty & Ephraim Colton were chosen Tithing men, & the first Three tooke y^e oath of office.

Eliakim Cooley Sen^r, Jam. Dorchester Sen^r Jn^o Hitchcocke Jun^r & Samll Ely were chosen Surveiors of the wayes &c.

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Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r was chosen Sealer of Leather.

Nathaneel Mun was chosen Clerke of the Market.

John Burt Nathll Burt Jun^r & John Petty were chosen measurers for Land & s^d John Burt was sworn.

Danll Cooley & Sam Keep, Charles fferre & Nathll Dumbleton Tho: Jones & Obadiah Miller John Harmon Sen^r & Tho: Miricke Isaac Frost & John Hale, John Bag & Jonathan Bag were chosen fence veivers & were also appointed the Haywards for the feilds in y^r respective precincts.

The Comittee for the precinct on the West side the great River in behalfe of y^r s^d Precinct did Petition that the Town would either erect & Establish a school on y^r side of y^e gr^t River or else acquit them of paying any Rate for the Towns school on the East side of y^e great River.

march 26: 1705. At a Town Meeting.

It was ordered to pay out of the Town Treasury an Addition of Sixteen pounds to encourage the Inhabitants on the west side of the great River, & of the Longmedow to promote the Learning of their children for the present yeer: & the Select men are to se to the disposing of said Sum according to their best discretion.

May 7: 1705. At a Meeting of the freeholders &c. of the Town of Springfield to depute y^r Representative for the Genll Courts of the p^sent yeer.

At this Meeting Deacon John Hitchcocke was made choice of to Represent the said Town at the Genll Courts of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay for the p^sent yeer by the major Part of the Electors p^sent.

At this meeting the Inhabitants of L. meadow renewed y^r request for Liberty to cal & settle a minister at L. Medow, & yⁿ to free y^m fro paying to their p^rsent minister, & they were referred for an answer to the next Town Meeting: y^e Paper is on file

Samll Wright of Northampton by his father Sikes desired admittance as an Inhabitant in this Town.

At a Town Meeting Dec: 25; 1705. It was agreed & vot-ed that the Select men or the assessors should se to it that an equal proportion of the necessary charges of the Town of Springfield be apportioned on & collected of the Inhabitants of said Town to satisfy those charges.

March 12th Anno Dom: 1705-6 At a Generall Town meeting for Elections of Officers for the Town of Springfield.

Mr John Pynchon Jun^r Eliakim Cooley Ebenezer Parsons John Miller & Nathaneel Burt Jun^r were chosen Select Men for managing y^e prudential affaires of this Town.

Ebenezer Parsons Nathaneel Burt Jun^r & Pelatiah Bliss were chosen Assessors for making the Rates of the Town: & sworne.

Mr Joseph Parsons was chosen Comissioner for the pub-lique Assessm^t.

John Holyoke was chosen Clerke for the Town & sworne.

James Warriner Jn^r, Nathaneel Sikes & Nathaneel Dumbleton were made choice of For Constables, & s^d Wariner & S^d Sikes were sworn.

Thomas Mirick Charles ffere Tho: Lamb & Samll Warner & Benja. Cooley Jun^r were chosen Surveyors of the high wayes.

Daniel Cooley Sen^r Edward Stebins Samll Bliss 3^d Increase Sikes Sen & Samll Ely were chosen Tithing men.

John Hitchcocke Sen^r was chosen Clerke of the Market.

Luke Hitchcocke Jun^r was chosen Leather Sealer.

John Day & James Miricke, Samll Cooper & Joseph Leonard Jun^r John Miricke & Joseph Williston Tho: Terry & Tho: Chapin Tho: Hale & Tho: Collins Jun^r Ebenezer Graves & David Morgan Jun^r, were chosen ffence Veiwers.

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Henry Rogers & Josiah Leonard & James Tailor Jun^r Jonathan Day & William Wariner, Samuel Cooley & Danll Cooley Jun^r Nathaneel Bancroft Nathall Morgan & Joseph Barker Tho: Jones & Danll Graves were chosen Haywards.

Samll Wariner & Matthew Crowfoot, Barret Steele & Jn^o Atchinson, & Jn^o Colton, Francis Bal & John Rogers were chosen to attend the Law about Swine.

John Burt John Petty & Nathall Burt Jun^r were chosen Measurers for Lands.

It was voted at this meeting to allow Wid. Sarah Atchison what the Judge of Probate grant to this Town for the Towns paying Doctor Aurault for his medicines he gave her husband Benoni Atchison in his sicknes whereof he died.

John Hitchcocke Sen^r Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r & John Miricke were appointed to Lay out the high way thorow m^r John Pynchon Jun^r his mil Lot. Se pa. 73.

The Inhabitants of the West side the River p^rsent a Petition to the Town that they would allow them support for encouragement of their schools: And it was voted, that, if they keep a schoole to continue the vote of the Town march 26: 1705 on backward page. Nathall Sikes & Ebenezer Wariner dissent from this vote.

It was voted to free the Inhabitants of Skipmuck & of Chickupi, on the East side y^e great river from y^e s^d vote march 26: 1705.

It was also voted that the Selectmen have power to Let out the burying Place to any man, or to dispose it according to their best discretion, so as that it might be Secured fro al unmeet usages.

The Town did grant to m^r Joseph Parsons the Pine ledge of Chickuppi River for making wares for fishing, he not damifying high wayes, or any of the passages over the s^d River & the priviledge is to cease when he ceases fishing.

The desire of the Inhabitants of Long medow that the Town would allow them Liberty to cal a minister to preach the word of God to them, was read in their meeting, & was disaccepted for the p^rsent.

At this meeting the Inhabitants of the West side the gr^t River put in their Petition, w^{ch} was read, wⁱⁿ they desire that the East side Inhabitants would pay the fifty pounds In Provision pay that the Honoured Genll Court ordered them to pay to s^d Westside. 2ly that the said East side Inhabitants would allow them the hundred acres of Land the s^d hono^d Genll Co^rte them to have for y^e ministry on the West side of the great River & 3ly that the s^d West side Inhabitants might have Imediately one half of the ministry Lands on the West side the gr^t River. The answer follows: 1. for the provision pay, the said East side Inhabitants have Two yeeres fro y^e time of s^d ord^r to pay 50£. 2. for the 2^d the west side Inhabitants signify no Place w^r they would have this hundred acres allowed y^m s^d West side Inhabitants. 3. for the 3^d branch of said Petition, the vote was Negative, yet the discourse was, that It might be put to the Ministers to agree about s^d Division.

May 13; 1706. At a meeting of the freeholder of the Town of Springfeild.

Joseph Parsons Esq was chosen Representative for the Town at the Genll Courtes for this year.

Ebenezer Miller was accepted to be Constable In the Room of Nathll Dumbleton.

John Pynchon Esq complained that he was overrated In y^e Rev^d m^r Brewers Rate for some yeeres & offered to the Town that if the assessors might be abated him Twenty shillings In the Rev^d m^r Daniel Brewer his next rate; & that the Assessors did so, he would be contented, & It was voted forth with to comply wth his s^d motion & Offer.

It was voted that a Cart bridge should be made over the mil River at the Towns Charg.

May 30th 1706. At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfeild.

Upon Complaint of the streightnes of encroachm^{ts} on the high wayes at the Lower End of the Town, It was voted that Deacon Burt & John Holyoke do consider the state of s^d high wayes, & endeavor the enlargm^t of the same & make report of their doings here in to the Town.

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It was proposed to nominate some men to answer the Petition of the Inhabitants on the west side of the gr^t River at the present Genll Court respecting a Schoole for them: & it was disliked.

And it was agreed to & voted that the said west side Inhabitants have Liberty to get a schoole master to teach their children to read & write & that the charge be carryed on by y^e Town in the same manner as the schoole affaire is carryed on, on the East side of the gr^t River according as the Law directs: And the like vote was passed for the Inhabitants of the Longmedow.

Nextly It was proposed whether the high way where the brooke runs along by said high way or the street should be maintained at the Towns charge, & this also was wholly rejected It was also proposed whether It was the desires of the Town that the waters of said brooke should be turned out of said street or high way Into the Medows, & the Town did Manifest it as their desire it should be soe.

Jan. 9th: 1706-7 At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild.

It was agreed to & voted to give John Miller thirteen pound for his dieting of Widow Swinke the yeer past. also it was agreed to & voted to raise forty shillings to buy clothing for s^d Widow Swinke.

It was also voted to allow five pounds to Satisfy for the schooling that halfe been carried on at Longmedow the summer past.

ffurther It was voted to allow Thirteen shillings & four pence to satisfy those persons who have releived John Killum In his late Sicknes & want.

ffebr: 17: 1706-7. At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild, Which meeting the Selectmen ordered to acquaint the Town that the Assessors had raised the school Rate on the Poles & Estates only, without Laying any thing of payment on the Scholars that come to schoole.

It was questioned whether it was a Legal meeting, & Two Constables p^sent affirmed that had taken an effectual course

to warn the Inhabitants: It was farther debated or demurred whether to act because so many of the Inhabitants were called of to go to the upper Towns, because of tidings of the army of the enemy. Then it was put to vote whether the persons present would allow this to be a meeting & the vote was for the affirmative. & further it was voted whether to pay the schoolmaster according to the former manner, & there the vote was for the affirmative: but divers persons dissenting did enter y^r dissent, viz m^r John Pynchon 2^d Jam. warriner Senr Jam: Wariner Jun^r, William Wariner Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r & Luke Hitchcocke Jun^r Samll Bliss 3^d Joseph Parsons Jun^r Henry Burt Ebenezer Wariner Nathani^l Burt Jun^r Tho. Miricke Increase Sikes Jun^r, Gershom fferre Nathaneel Sikes Jonathan Burt Jun^r Josiah Beaman John Holyoke.

also at this meeting the west side of y^e Gr^t River Inhabitants did desire the Town would grant y^m a Tract of Land on the great hil west from their meeting house extend from y^e South end of s^d hil to y^e northerly end of Chickupi feild. also a Tract of Land the South side of Agawam on the Plain fro Benja Leonards land, down to Samll Coopers for house Lots

ffebr: 28: 1706-7. At a Town meeting ordered to consider for the grant of their desires Se page 283 & 221. what method to raise the schoolmasters Salary: & the dues for keeping of the school at Long medow.

It was put to vote whether the schoolmasters dues should be raised on the Towns Poles & Estates wthout Laying any thing on the Scholars, & y^e vote was for y^e Negative. It being declared that the scholars paying three pence P weeke, the dues by reason of that way would be Sixteen pounds Sixteen shillings & Sixpence, & then it was put to vote that whether the s^d 16£ 16^s 6^d should be Layed on the scholars & the vote for the affirmative part. [III—283.] Then it was declared that the charge for schooling besides the proportion for scholers & the rents of the school Lands would be 10£ 18^s 6^d. & then it was put to vote whether to raise said sum on the Town, y^t is the Towns Poles & estates & y^e vote was for the affirmative.

It was further voted that there should be a committee to consider of such orders & by Laws as have been formerly made & to prepare to show y^m at y^e next Town meeting & also to draw up other orders & by Laws as may be profitable for the Town to present as afores^d to y^e Town for approbation in order to p^rsent y^m to the Genll Sessions the next May to be approved of & rendered binding to al the Inhabitants of this Town: according to act Title Townships: Se 5th & that m^r Joseph Parsons m^r John Pynchon 2^d Capt Colton Henry Chapin Sen^r L^t Abel wright Benja: Leonard & Jn^o Holyoke be this Committee.

March 11, 1706-7. At the General Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfeild.

Capt Thomas Colton John Mirick Samll Bliss 3^d Benja: Leonard & Jn^o Holyoke were chosen Selectmen for the managm^t of the Prudential affaires of the Town. & said Capt Colton Benja: Leonard & Jn^o Holyoke were chosen Assessors for y^e Towns Taxes.

John Holyoke was chosen clerke for the Town.

Benjamin Stebbins George Colton & James Miricke were chosen Constables & Sworne.

Jonathan Bal Joseph Cooley Sen^r David Morgan Sen^r Ebenezer Wariner were chosen Surveiors for the high wayes of the Town

Obadiah Miller Thomas Miricke Joseph Parsons Jun^r Saml Day & Samll Keep were chosen Titling men.

Jonathan Burt Jun^r & Nathaneel Bliss Jun^r, John Hitchcocke Jun^r & Tho: Stebins Sen^r Ebenezer Day & Josiah Leonard James Barker & Joseph Ely, Isaac ffrost & Tho: Barber, Benja: Chapin & Ebenezer Chapin were chosen veivers of fences.

William Crany nathanel Morgan, Henry Rogers & charles ffere, Thomas Hail & Samuel Colton Tho: Jones & Joseph Stebins Jun^r were chosen ffield drivers.

Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Sealer for Leather.

John Burt Nathanll Burt Jun^r & John Petty were chosen measurers for Lands.

Henry Burt was chosen Sealer for weights and measures

It was voted that the Select men receive the schoolmasters accounts of the scholars coming to the school, & that they demand of their Parents & masters the paym^{ts} due upon the account of s^d scholars coming to Schoole.

It was voted to allow Samuel Warner Twenty one shillings for the Planke used for the bridge he made over the mil River & that the Persons who did worke at said bridge, have their s^d worke set off as high way worke.

It was voted that the Select men dispose of or let out the Town Land at the Reere of Pelatiah Bliss his homelot.

Att the fformer Meeting viz: Jan. 9th, 1706-7 the Inhabitants of the east side the gr^t River Febr 28th p^rsenting their Petition to the Town to grant them a Tract of Land for the house lots, the Town did vote that most at the s^d Meeting grant them with others to have their s^d Petition &c: Se 221 page of this booke for the further Record of said Grant.

May 9th 1707. At a meeting of the ffreeholders & Inhabitants of y^e Town of Springfeild.

Leit Joseph Stebbins was chosen Representative to attend her maj^{ties} Service in the gr^t & General Court or Assembly the 28th Day of this Instant May during y^r Session & Sessions

whereas there hath been difficulty & contradiction about paym^t The Townes p^rsent Schoolmaster his dues for the year past whether to raise it on Poles & Estates only, or on the scholars, also according to former custome & practise, It was agreed to & Voted, That the Select men lay the whole matter before the Gen^l Quarter Sessions this Instant Month of May, & the Town to Rest In the determination of the Justices of the Peace, that come from the other Towns of the County, Excluding the Justices of the Peace dwelling in Springfeild, & the s^d Justices of the Peace at s^d sessions did determine the s^d schoolmaster dues be paid as the other Town charges are paid, as attests Jn^o Hoilyoke Clerk for the Towne

At this meeting Sundry Rules orders & by Laws drawn up by a Comittee chosen for that end were read & voted to be

p^resented to the next Gen^l Quarter Sessions for the approbation & were p^resented to the Gen^l Quart^r Sessions may 20: 1707, & are recorded in pa. 31-32 of this booke.

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Dec: 23: 1707.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild.

At this meeting It was declared that the Constables of several yeares are defective of collecting the ministry Rate the school Rate and the Country Rate and y^e Representative Rate & It was voted & agreed that the Select men examine the Constables, & if it may be made manifest that any Constable had not mony Enough In their List to pay charges that now the Select men raise money to satisfy the same.

It was voted & agreed that the Select Men discourse wth John Miller to find what charge the Town need to expend for widow Swinkes diet & clothing & that y^e Select men se to have so much raised.

It was voted to pay for Leather to Cover some Town Record bookes.

It was voted to allow the schoolmas^r m^r David Parsons pay for Three quarters of a yeere, & w^t the Townes Lands fals short of satisfying Together wth the scholars pay, that the same be assessed on the Inhabitants.

At this meeting a Comissioner & five Trustees were chosen to make a valuation of al the Rateable Estate of this Town of Springfeild major John Pynchon was chosen Comissioner; & Joseph Parsons Esq Capt. Thomas Colton Leiut Josec. Stebins & Leiut Abel Wright & Benja. Leonard were chosen Trustees who are to act according to the Act of the last Sessions of the Gen^l Court respectively.

At the Meeting of the Proprietors of the Inner Commons In the Town of Springfeild.

ffebr: 18: 1707-8. Legally warned to regulate the affair of boxing Turpentine Trees. It was voted to restrain the boxing of Turpentine Trees wthin the inmost Comons till the Town do order otherwise.

It was voted that if any Person shal gather Turpentine of

the Pine trees wthin the said Inmost Comons, before the Town shal order it, such persons shal pay after the Rate of Twenty shillings P barrel for the Turpentine so drawn.

It was further voted that the Select men for the time being shal Looke after the men y^t shal trespass the order ag^t boxing Turpentine Trees, & that they se to the gathering of the Twenty shillings Penalty P barrel as above s^d for the use of the Town of the men that shal presume to draw turpentine out of the Trees aboves^d Inmost Comons, til the Town shal order otherwise.

ffebr: 27: 1707-8. At a Meeting of the Proprietors of the Inner Comons of the Town of Springfield.

It was voted to draw Turpentine wth Regulations:

It was voted to chuse a Committee to consider some way to regulate the drawing of Turpentine, & to prepare some draught thereof to p^rsent at the next General Town Meeting for approbation.

And it was voted that Joseph Parsons Esq, m^r John Pynchon Jun^r Pelatiah Glover Japhet Chapin, Capt. Tho: Colton, Benja. Leonard, Leiut Jose. Stebins, David Morgan Sen^r, & Thomas Horton be the s^d Committee & that said Joseph Parsons appointed the time & place for the said Committee Meeting.

March 9th: 1707-8. At the General Town meeting for Election of Town officers for y^e Town of Springfield.

John Hitchcocke Sen^r Edward Stebins John ffere Henry Burt & John Holyoke were Selectmen for the ensuing yeer.
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John Holyoke chosen clerk for s^d Town for y^e Insuing yeer.

John Hitchcocke Jun^r John Bag & Daniel Lumbard were chosen Constables for the p^rsent yeer: But David Lumbard hired Samuel Warner to be Constable In his stead, who was occupied of by the Town In s^d Meeting.

Joseph Stebin Sen^r Joseph Cooly Sen^r & Samll Ely were chosen Assessors for y^e Yeer.

David Morgan Sen^r John Burt Tilly Miricke Samll Blass Jun^r & Samuel Bodurtha were chosen Tithing men for the yeer Insuing.

John Burt Nathaneel Burt & John Petty were chosen Town Measurers for y^e Lands.

Pelatiah Bliss Obadiah Cooley Thomas Hale & Ebenezer Day were chosen Surveiors for high ways.

Increase Sikes Jun^r was chosen Sealer for Leathers:

Jonathan Ely & Thomas Colton Jun^r Nathaneel Mun & Samll Lamb Joseph Bodurtha Sen^r & Ebenezer Miller James Stevenson Jun^r & Joseph Leonard Jun^r Joseph Wiliston & Ebenezer Graves, Jn^o Crowfoot & David Chapin were chosen ffence veivers also to be Haywards for the feilds.

At the Town Meeting April 29th 1708. The Town accept of Ebenezer Chapin to be fence veiver In the Room of David Chapin.

It was voted that such Persons as shall be chosen by the Town to execute the Law respecting Swine, & shall be Convicted of this neglect thereof, shall be subject to the Penalty of five shillings, upon Conviction, the one half thereof to the Informer, the other halfe to the Towns Schoole, & that this order be p^resented to the Justices of the Peace at their next General Sessions of the Peace in Hampshire for y^r approbation This said order was approved of by the Justices at the Quarter Sessions may 13, 1708. Se pa. 32.

Samuel Warner & Ebenezer Wariner, John Atchison & Danll Cooly Jun^r John ffowler & Christian van Horeen & Nathanll Bancroft are chosen to Execute the Law respecting swine.

The needy condition of the wife of Philip Read was Laid before the Town, & the Town did appoint that the Select men consider the matter, & that they do what is meet for the Town to do, as to satisfaction for what Releife hath been given her and as to what further releife, that may be duty for the Town to afford, & further that the Select men continue the Sending her away to her Proper Place or to her ffriends, & that the Town be at some charge for the transport of her & her children, & It was added that Respect be to what recompence the friends of s^d Reads wife may bestow on such as shal Transport her & her children.

The Proprietors of the Outward Comons did appoint a meeting of s^d Proprietors to be attended at the East meeting house at Ten of the clocke of the morning of the 11th day of this Instant march.

March 11: 1707-8 Accordingly the Proprietors of the outward Comons had a Meeting and at this meeting It was first voted, that the Precinct Proprietors should regulate their affair of gathering or drawing turpentine in the Inner Comons adjoining to their wood lots.

1. Regulation. That no Turpentine shalbe got on the East side the great River in Springfeild, But what is got within two Miles from the great River Eastward & also wthin Two miles westward from the westward side y^e outward Comons.

2. That no Proprietor shal worke above One thousand New Trees, & that he shal have liberty from a Committee (whom the Town shal appoint) In what place he shal worke said Trees in the afores^d bounds, wth as little damage as may be, to those Persons that have this yeer began to bark, & y^t y^r be paid to the Town Treasurer for the use of the schoole One shilling in [III—285.] Town Pay for One hundred Trees, so granted, & where any Persons have barked above one thousand Trees, he shalbe satisfied for his labour by him that shal have the overplus of the thousand, to be determined by the s^d Committee.

3. That those who work any of their old Trees, shal pay to the Town Treasury for the use of the school six shillings in Town pay for one thousand of said Trees & that they shal declare to s^d Committee within one month from the fifth day of this Instant march, whether they wil worke them or no, & upon refusal to worke y^m the s^d Committee are to dispose y^m to any other Persons on the Terms afores^d.

4. As for the Inner Comons on the West side of the great River the s^d Committee are to dispose of the Trees on the Termes afores^d, wthout any limitation as to Place

And Leiut Hitchcocke Sen^r & John Miricke are chosen to be the Committee to Inspect the affair of getting Turpentine

according to the aboves^d regulations & to prosecute any Persons that may trespass ag^t said Regulations.

And it was further concluded that the outward Comons be liable to pay according to the aboves^d regulations of the Inward Comons, & that the affaire be alike under the care & management of s^d comittee, & that they allow to no Proprietor above Two thousand Trees In s^d outward Comons.

April 29: 1708 at a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants for Election of a Representative at the Sessions of the next Genll Co^rtes.

Joseph Parsons Esq was made choice of to be Representative to attend the Sessions of the Genll Co^rtes for the p^rsent year. & it was voted that o^r said Representative do Represent the Towns desires that we may have but Two Cortes In the year for this County of Hampshire.

June 2: 1708. At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield.

It was voted at this meeting, & concluded to ratify the vote of the Towne at the meeting May 30, 1708 respecting the school affair on the west side the great River, & further that the Select men of this Town of Springfield be impowered to provide them the said west side Inhabitants a meet Person to teach y^r children to Read & to write, & that the Inhabitants of said West side the great River have liberty to adde from among themselves some one man to joint wth s^d Select men to carry the affair, that the children of said west side Inhabitants may be taught to read & to write, & that what the scholars part to pay falls short of satisfying the charge, it be paid as other Town charges are paid.

Whereas Thomas Gilbert of Brookfeild was Convicted before maj^r John Pynchon Esq of selling of Strong drinke at s^d Town wthout Licence and was sentenced by y^e Justices of the peace to pay forty shillings to the Grammer school in Springfield, & did Petition this Town to forgive him or clear him from paying forty shillings, the Town did accept of his Petition & release him from paying said 40^s.

It was also voted that a convenient sum of mony for pay-

ing the necessary charges for Transporting of Philip Reads wife & her children to Concord should be assessed on the Inhabitants of this Towne. [III—287.]

July 30, 1708.

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Qualified & It was voted to send Joseph parsons Esq to his Excellency o^r Gover to Intercede with his Excellency that the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield may not be called away, or impressed to keep Garrison In other Towns, but continued In their owne Towne, for the defence y^of from the Enemy as also to Interceed wth his Excellency that he farther would please to send us men to garrison in this Town of Springfield for some time as also that the Select men do hire some meet persons to accompany their Agent In his going to his Excellency & his Returning home.

It was further voted that the Inhabitants would oblige themselves to fortify y^e Town, & to chuse a Committee to order or regulate the respective Garrisons And it was voted that the Comission officers of the Militia, the Select men of the Town & Japhet Chapin Nathll Burt Sen^r John Miricke John Barber Sen^r Benjamin Leonard Sen^r & John Bag be this Committee: & effect the time & Place of y^r meeting—Major Pynchon is chosen to appoint the Same:

Nov. 30: 1708. At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield.

At this Meeting the voters granted paym^{ts} to be made for the Several Particulars read to them, w^{ch} are Set In the Select mens book of Towne debts for this year.

The Town did nominate manifest their Desire that the Petitioners for the Precinct at Chickupi Eastward of the Town bounds should renew their Petition to the Honoured Genll Court y^r grant for the Setting up a Town or Precinct for four yeers more after the wars are ended, & made choice of m^r John Pynchon to draw up a Petition to s^d Corte for them.

It was also voted & ordered that what so ever Persons shal send children to school In the winter time, that they Provide

for Each scholar One Load of wood by that time the Scholar or the child been at school Two Weeks, or that such Persons (as neglect to bring their Load of Wood as afores^d) shal pay In the Town Rate so much as shal satisfy any other Person or Persons that shal bring to the school a Load of Wood for their Scholar or Scholars, & the Select Men Manage this affair from time to time yeerly.

March 8, 1708-9 At the Genll Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfeild.

John Hitchcock Sen John Miricke John Day Pelatiah Bliss & John Holyoke were chosen Selectmen.

John Holyoke was chosen Town Clerke.

John Burt Nathll Burt Jun^r & John Petty were chosen Land Measurers.

Sam Keepe was chosen Constable & sworn Isaac ffrost was chosen Constable & Sworn Joseph Stebin was chosen Constable & sworn.

m^r Joseph Parsons Capt Colton & John Day were chosen Assessors.

Samuel Lamb Tilly Miricke Obadiah Cooly Samuel Day & George Colton were chosen Surveyors of the high wayes

Ebenezer Parsons was chosen Sealer of Leather.

Luke Hitchcocke Sen was chosen Town Treasurer.

Joseph Williston Thomas Bliss Sen^r James Wariner Jun^r Thomas Bliss Jun^r & Joseph Bodurtha were chosen Tithing men.

Also fence veiwers were chosen viz Thomas Hale Eliakim Cooly Jun^r Thomas [III—288.] Miricke & Nathaneel Sikes Nathall Dumbleton & John Ely, John ffere & John Burt Nathaneel Morgan & John Bag, Tho: Terry & Jn^o Chapin, who also were chosen to be Hawards or ffeild Drivers.

Mathew Crowfoot Samuel Warner & Ebenezer Wariner, Samuel Wariner & Christian van Horeen, John Atchison & Danuel Cooly Junior, Nathaneel Bancroft & Jonathan Worthington were chosen to execute the Law about swine.

May 6th 1709. At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild.

Major John Pynchon Esq was made choice of to be Representative for this Town to attend the sessions of Genll Courte for this yeer.

also the Town did declare their Liking that the Select men send to m^r John Sherman & Invite him to be o^r Gramar schoolmaster.

also It was voted to allow the Select men to raise some mony to defray some necessary charges, In special to pay for the schoole Glass, & to purchase Standards for weights & measures as the Law requires.

December 1st, 1709. At a Town Meeting.

the voters at this meeting did approve of the paying for the several particulars y^t were Layd before them & are set In y^e Select mens booke of the Town debts for this yeer

It was also voted to pay o^r Schoolmaster m^r Jn^o Sherman forty pounds In grain viz Pease Ry Indian corn & Barley at the ancient Town price, or as to form^r schoolmasters It was also voted to allow Capt Tho. Colton Thirty shilling to encourage or to enable him to provide schooling for Longmedow for this winter, w^{ch} allowance, if it occasion strife or disturbance amongst his neiglibors at Longmedow he promyses to forgive y^e s^d Towns allowance of 30^s

It was voted to allow forty shillings to be raised for Su the Negro.

It was voted to allow Tho. Mirick Sam^l Bliss 3^d & George Colton 12^s P peice for going to bring m^r John Sherman o^r present Schoolmaster.

Capt Colton propounded to have a pound for the Longmedow Inhabitants.

Divers young men on the west side of the gr^t River did desire Liberty to take clay or dig & cart away clay at the high way goeing up Samll Coopers hil, w^{ch} was granted to them provided they do not damnify said high way.

March 14: 1709-10 At the Genll Town Meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfeild.

M^r John Pynchon Jun^r Edward Stebins John Burt Senr Nathaneel Mun & Samuel Bliss 3^d, were chosen Select men for yeer ensuing:

John Holyoke was chosen Clerk to Record &c.

Obadiah Miller was chosen Constable & sworne Ebenezer Bliss Sen^r was chosen Constable & Thomas Barber was chosen Constable.

Thomas Jones Sen^r David Lumbard Sen^r Jonathan Day Thomas Colton Jun & John Bag were chosen Surveyors of high wayes.

John Burt Sen^r Nath Burt Jun^r & John Petty were chosen measurers for Lands.

Luke Hitchcocke Sen was chosen Treasurer for the Town, & m^r John Pyncheon jun^r Jose. Stebins Senr & Pelatiah Blisse were chosen & appointed to Joine wth s^d p^rsent Treasurer to examine the accounts of the old Treasurer who was m^r Pelatiah Glover Sen^r.

Luke Hitchcocke Sen^r Eliakim Cooly Sen^r & Samuel Ely were chosen Assessors.

James Wariner Sen^r John ffere Joseph Williston Joseph Cooly Sen^r & Benjamin Leonard were chosen Tithing men.

Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Sealer for Leather.

ffence Veivers also were chosen: viz. Pelatiah Morgan & Joseph Ashley, Thomas [III—289.] Stebins Sen^r & James Wariner Jun^r, John Day & Charles ffere, Samuel Leonard & John Leonard Samuel Chapin & Henry Jun^r & Samll Colton & Danll Cooly Jun^r & the same men were chosen Hawards.or ffield Drivers.

Matthew Crowfoot Samll Warner Ebenezer Wariner John Atchison Barret Steel Christian van Horen Samll Wariner Jonathan Worthington & Nathanll Bancroft were chosen to Execute the orders about swine.

for order about an high way through the wood lots East of the medows from the middle Causey to the upper Causey Se page 224 & for Laying it out s^d way four Rods Se pa. 225

At a Meeting of the ffreeholders & other Inhabitants of y^e Town of Springfeild may 8, 1710.

The town at this meeting did order & Impower the Select men of s^d Town to bargain wth & Let out to what Person or Persons they may approve of, the Land, the unimproved

Land, of that said Townes In Chickupi feild on y^e west side the gr^t River, & that Lyes on the westerly side of said Land & with In said feild fence as also the Town's meadow that Lyes ag^t Edward Stebins his houselot In the Town for yeeres or for some Terme of yeeres for the Towns advantage, according to their discretion.

Collonel John Pynchon Esq was chosen Representative for the Town of Springfeild to represent them in Sessions of the Great General Assembly for this year.

It was voted that whatsoever person shal be chosen to any office in s^d Towne that the Law requires the Town to chuse men to serve in, and shal refuse or neglect to attend the office they are chosen to & be thereof convicted, & have no reasonable excuse to show for y^r so refusing or neglecting, & where the Law Lays no fine on such persons that they shal pay a fine to the Towne not exceeding the sum of Twenty shilings. And it was further determined that this order be presented to y^e Justices of the Peace for Hampshire, at the next Genll Sessions of the Peace for their approbation.

Henry Burt was chosen Tithing man in John ferre stead because refusing to take y^e oath.

Gersham fiere applying himselfe to the Town for recompense for his keeping Su the Negro, It was voted & ordered that said Gershom fiere for his Intertaining her to this time, be paid Three pounds In Provision Pay out of the Town Treasury, if it be y^r to be had, & if not to be had y^r, to have so much raised for him in the next Town Rates

Nov: 27: 1710. At a Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild.

It was voted that the Assessors do assess the Inhabitants the sum of four pounds Nineteen shillings & Eight pence to Satisfy m^r Thomas Tousey our former Schoolmaster the unpaid part of his Salary for keeping school.

Also It was voted that the Assessors do raise upon the Inhabitants In the Towns Tax for to pay o^r present schoolmaster m^r John Sherman the sum of forty pounds.

also It was voted the Assessors do raise in y^e Town Rate

upon the Inhabitants the Sum of Nine pounds Six shillings & five pence to pay Samuel Hitchcocke for his tending & dieting John Waller In his sickness the Last yeer, as also the Doctor & Drugst.

It was voted also to raise Twenty Eight shillings to pay Samuel Ely, so much, or what appeared to be unpaid of his Salary for keeping schoole

It was also voted that the Assessors rate the Inhabitants of this Town the Sum of eight pounds to satisfy Gershom fferre for his keeping Su the Negro, according to the agreem^t of the Selectmen.

also that they raise Twenty five shillings to satisfy some smal debts of y^e Town. [III—290.] It was further voted that the Selectmen do adjust the Charges of the widow Gerald's wth respect to her keeping dieting or medicining James Adams of the Town of Westerly In the Naraganset Country, & that the Assessors raise y^m also on the Inhabitants, that Each respective person may have y^r dues, w^{ch} the Select men are to se paid respectively.

It was voted to have three men to joine wth the Town Treasurer to Inquire after any former Town debts or credits, also that Samuel Bliss the Third Joseph Willeston & samuel Ely be the three men for this Inquiry, & it was determined that they attend this Inquiry this day fortnight, and afterward that they agree upon the time or times for further Inquiry among themselves, if there be further occasion for it, & that they make return of their Inquiry to the Town at the next General Town Meeting.

It was also further voted & agreed that the bul mony & water workes rate should be added with the Town rate.

March 13; 1710-11 At the General Town meeting for Elections of Officers for the Town of Springfeild:

Joseph Cooly Sen^r Tilly Miricke John Miller Thomas Horton & John Holyoke were chosen Select men.

John Holyoke was chosen Clerke:

Thomas Stebins Sen^r John Ely & Joseph Parsons were chosen Constables & sworn.

Joseph Willeston Thomas Horton & John Miller were chosen Assessors.

John Hitchcocke Jun^r Nathl Sikes Sen^r Matthew Crowfoot Nathanl Bliss Jun^r & Nathaneel Dumbleton were chosen Surveiors of the high wayes.

David Morgan Sen^r, John Warner Obadiah Cooly Nath-anll Burt Jun^r Ebenezer Jones Sen^r were chosen Tithing men.

John Burt Sen^r Nathll Burt Jun^r & John Petty were chosen measurers for Town Lands.

Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Leather Sealer.

Joseph Barker William Scot, Benjamin Stebins & Samll Wariner, Joseph Leonard Jun^r & Thomas Barber, Benjamin Chapin & Jonathan Chapin, John Burt Sen^r & Samll Sikes, Samll Stebins & Jonathan Ely were chosen fence veivers: & y^e fence veivers are chosen ffeild drivers.

William Wariner & Samll Hitchcocke were chosen to execute the orders about swine

Nathaneel Bliss Sen^r was fined 6^d for disorderlynes at s^d Meeting, as also Gershom Sen James Tailor Jun^r & Henry Rogers Jun^r were fined 6^d for Disorderlynes.

August 16th: 1711. At a Town Meeting.

It was voted to continue m^r John Sherman Gramar School master to the Town & to give him forty pound Pr Annum in Town Pay, & said m^r Jn^o Sherman did declare his willingness to go on wth his teaching the scholars, until the next Town meeting:

December 7: 1711.

It was voted to allow James Dorchester Sen^r for his keeping or Dieting of James Osborn for the space of Twenty Three weekes this p^sent yeer after the Rate of Three Shillings & Nine Pence in Town pay, viz 4£ 6^s 3^d

It was voted to allow the Comittee that spent their time to Examine the arreares of the Rates In Divers Constable hands 2^s 6^d P day. Three of y^m three dayes a peice & one of y^m for one day.

It was voted to allow Increase Sikes for making James Osborn a pair of shoes Eight shillings.

It was voted to allow the Perambulators being 15 men 4^s Pr man.

It was declared that the select men agree wth m^r Benjamin Colton to keep school [III—291.] on the west side of the great River, & to pay him after the Rate of Twenty pound for halfe a yeer, but he kept the schoole for four months only, viz from the thirteenth day of April to the thirteenth day of August next 13^l 6^s 8^d.

[In the handwriting of Pelatiah Bliss.]

March the 11th Anno 1712 att The General Town meeting for election of Town officers for the Town of Springfeild.

the Hono^r Colonel John Pynchon was Chosen Moderator.

Luke Hitchcock Sen Joseph Stebbins Sen^r John mirrik Samll Bliss 3^d John Ferry were Chosen Selectmen.

Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Clerke for y^e Town & Sworn.

Samll Lamb & Nathanell Morgan & Samll Colton were Chosen Constables.

Capt John Pynchon Samll Keep & Samll Ely were Chosen Assessors.

the fence vewers that were chosen were Ebenezer Bliss Ephraham Colton Obedia Cooly James Dorchester Junior Joseph Stebbins Junior Obadiah Miller Thomas Terry Tho: Chapin Josia Lenord Samll Leonord Thomas Miller Sen^r Samll Ball Joseph Ely Jun^r Thomas Maceranny it is also voated that the fence vewers be y^e feild drivers.

The Surveighers of Highways that were Chosen were Samll Sikes & William Warriner & Pelatiah Morgan & John Atchonson and John Miller Senier.

The Town Treasurer that was chosen was John Mirrick. The Sealer of Leather Increase Sikes Jun^r.

The Tithingmen were John Herman Thomas Jones Senier Ephraham Colton Samll Warriner.

The Town measurers were Henry Burt, Nathanll Burt Junier & John Petty.

itt was also votted that the Afaire of the School Land on Both sides the River be left with the Present Select men to let it out as they shal se Cause for the Benefit of the Town

without anny Limination as to time & it was voted to Abate Gershom Ferry his fine for disorder att a former meeting

March 24: 1712. At a meeting of y^e Inhabitanes of Springfeild it was voted that Nathanel Sikes Jun^r should be a fence vewer for the present year also y^t Samll Bliss 3^d & Henry Burt & John Ferre be a Committie to examine y^e accmpts between the former Treasurer viz: m^r Luke Hitchcock Sen^r and y^e Select men for y^e Last year, and to make returne of there doeing to the Town.

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April 11th: 1712. At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfeild.

It was voted at this meeting that m^r Thomas Ingersol of Springfeild shal have the whole sume of the money and Goods mentioned in the Inventory of y^e Estate of John Mashfeild of Late deceased the Term of one year said Ingersol then Payeing the whole Sume according to the Inventory in money and and he also payeing the Lawfull Interest for y^e monney part provided also s^d Ingersol Give sufisient Security for the whole to the Town of Springfeild.

It was also voted that y^e present Select men shal Give sufisient Security In y^e Towns Behalfe to the Executors of y^e will of John Massefeild for y^e Inventory as also to Take sufisient security of m^r Thomas Ingersol in Behalfe of y^e Town for the monney and Goods in the inventory of John Massefeild of Late deceased.

It was allso voted there shal none of y^e Inhabitanes of Springfeild Cary Anny sawmill Loges out of the Town boundes on y^e Penalty of five shillins to be payed into the Town Treasury for each Logg so Carryed. Benjamin Lenord and John Bagg entered there Desent from s^d voate.

May the 6th: 1712. At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitanes of the Town of Springfeild Colonel John Pynchon Esquire was made Choice of to be Representative for this Town to attend the Sessions of the General Court for the present year:

At a Lawfull Town meeting of the freeholders and other

Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild on Novemb^r y^e 27: 1712.

It was voted that there shal be Ten Pounds in monney Raised or Leved on y^e Inhabitants for the Relefe of y^e Wife of John Killam: and there is five shillins grant^d for Capt John Pynchon for his Drawing a Coppy of y^e Inventory of the Estate of John mashfeild and for m^r Pelatiah Glover for wrighting don by him: one shillin and Ten pence: also ther is grant^d to m^r Luke Hitchcock Sen Twenty shillins for his service as Town treasurer also there was granted Twelve pounds in Town pay for the Building a school house on the west side of the Great River and it was also voted that The Charge of the Bulls that were hired by the Select men shall be Added to Each mans Rate according to there Just Proportion according ther Number of Cows & there was Granted To mary Killam Twenty shillins for her Tending her mother in her sicknes

At a Lawful Town meeting of the Inhabitanes of Springfeild ffeb^r y^e 10: 1712-13 It was voted to Raise four or five pounds for y^e Releif of James Osborn and it was voted that y^e Charge doth arise this year for the Bulls hiered by y^e Select men it should be by y^e Assessors added to Each mans Rate according to his Number of Cows, according to his Just proportion voted allso y^t the Charge allso that there is for water works should be added to Each mans Rate according to there Just Proportion viz according to there Interest in y^e feilds Respectively.

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March the 10th. At the Generll Town meeting for Election of Town officers it being a Lawfull meeting. Colonel John Pynchon was Chosen Modeartor.

Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Clerk and Sworn according to Law, the Select men that were Chosen were m^r Pelatiah Glover & Ebenezer Parsons & Nathanel Burt Jun^r & Henry Burt & John Day.

The Constabels that were Chosen were Jeremiah Horton & Ebenezer Wariner & Samuel Lenord & the Assessors y^t were Chosen were m^r Pelatiah Glover & m^r Luke Hitchcock

Senior & Nathaull Burt Jun^r & the Town Treasurer Chosen was Leut John Mirrick & the Tythingmen that were chosen were Jonathan Ely & Joseph Parsons & William Warriner & James mirrick & John Ely and for measurers for Land Nathaull Burt Jun^r & Ebenezer Chapen & David Morgan Jun^r & Thomas Mirrick Sen^r & George Colton & Samuell Keep & Charles Fere Sen^r & Nathanel Dumbleton & Eliakim Cooly John Burt & Joseph Williston & Ebenezer Graves Increase Sikes is Chosen Sealer of Lether & The Surveighers chosen were Samuell Stebbins Obadiah miller Benjamin Knolton Luke Hitchcock 3^d Ebenezer miller Sen. Voted allso the fence vewers be y^e feild Drivers it was voted allso to mak Choise of Two persons to be a part of a Comittey to act in the Affair of Longmedow for the Granting of Land according to a former voate of the Town in that Affaire & it is voted that Leut John Mirrick & Samuell Bliss 3^d should be y^e Persons to act as a part of a Comitie in that Affaire.

May 7th 1713 at a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitanes for Election of a Representative to serve at the Sessions of the Next General Courte m^r Luke Hitchcock Senior was made Choise of to be Representative to attend the Sessions of the General Courts for this Present year & it is voted that Luke Hitchcock 2^d be a Surveigher for highwayes this present year & it is also voted that the Select men doe in behalf of the town Draw up and send a petition to the Genera'l Court that they would Resolve this Question: viz: whether the Charge Arising for the School be to be Leved on y^e Inhabitanes as the Province Charge or whether a part on them and Part on the schoolers.

August 26: 1713 At a Lawfull Town Meeting of the Inhabitanes of Springfield itt was voted that Benjamin Smith Senir should be Constabel for the Remainder of this present year.

Note by the Transcriber.—On the margin of this page, to follow the meeting of March 10 is this: "Thomas Bliss y^e 2^d was Chosen Constabel at this meeting and y^e Town accepted of Ebenezer Warriner in his stead or place."

Novem^r 26: 1713 at a Lawful Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild

It was voted to Raise fourty pound in Town pay for m^r John Sherman for his keeping the school there was also Granted Three pound & Ten shillins for Danell Coolys Daughter Keeping school There was also Granted fiveteen pounds in money or Corne at money price for m^r Nathanell Downing for his keeping school there was also Granted Two pounds Ten shillin to James Dorchester for keeping James Osband there was also Granted six shillins for the procuring a Book for y^e use of the Select men It was Granted to Give y^e Representative m^r Luke Hitchcock Senir four shillins p^r day for what Time he hath bin Imploid in y^e s^d servise & there was also Granted Leut John Mirick Twenty shillins for serving the Town 2 years as Town Treasurer it was also voted forty shillins P year which is to be under stood if John miller will not Take it on s^d Conditions it was also voted to Raise six pound & Three shillins To pay for the keeping the wife of John Killam: & it was also voted that what money is due on y^e accompt of Bulls & also for water be by y^e assessors added according to our former Custome.

March y^e 9th: 1713-14 at the General Town meeting for Election of officers for the Town of Springfeild.

The Honord Colonell John Pynchon was Chosen Moderator.

Pelataiah Bliss was chosen Clerk.

m^r Pelataiah Glover & Leut John Mirick & Ser^t Joseph Cooly & Ser^t John Ferre & Thomas Terry were Chosen Select men and over Seears of the poore: John Worthington and Ebenezer Day and Ebenezer Warriner were chosen Constabels: and Benjamin Stebbins and Jonathan Bagg and Ebenezer Graves & Increase Sikes & Ebenezer Bliss Senir & George Colton were chosen Tything men & Leut John Mirrick was Chosen Town Treasurer Ser^t Joseph Cooly Ser John Ferre & Samll Ely were Chosen Assessors Benjamin Knolton William Smith Joseph Stebbins Jun^r Henry Chapin Jun^r John Hermon Samuel Colton were Chosen Surveighers of high wayes.

Luke Hitchcock Senir was Chosen Sealler of Lether.

John Hitchcock Ser^t Samuel Lamb & Thomas Stebbins Tilly Mirrick Samuel Sikes Samu^{el}l Cooly Ebenezer Bliss Jun^r Samu^{el}l Ferre Josia Leonard Isaac Frost Joseph Ashly j^r Nath^ll morgan & John Fowler were Chosen to be fence vewers & feild Drivers: Nathanell Burt Jun^r & Henry Burt & John Petty were Chosen Measurers for Land: Leut Joseph Stebbins & Samuel Blis 3^d & Nath^ll Burt Jun^r were Chosen to be a Comitty to Examine or Looke in to the accompts of the former Treasurer for y^e two years past & it is desired that they do it within a month & make Returne of there doing there in att the Next Town meeting Luke Hitchcock S^r Sealer of Lether.

may 10: 1714 att a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Colonell John Pynchon Esqr was made Choise of to be Representative for the Town to attend the Sessions of the Generll Court for this present year it was voted also to Raise Six pounds to be Improved for y^e Relief of John Crowfoot viz for his Son and it is to be disposed of by direction from the Select men: mathew Crowfoot & Ephraim Barchol & Ebenezer Warriner & Nath^ll Sikes Sen Samu^{el}l Cooly: John Atchenson & John Sherbins & John Fowler Thomas Miller jr & Jonathan Taylor are made Chose of to Execute the Lawes Respecting Swine.
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Novemb^r 26: 1714 At a Town meeting of the Freholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield It was voted upon Reading the Townes Debts to Choose a Committee to Joyne with the Selet men to Examine the Townes Deebts & Credit and to order the Assessors to Raise and Levy a tax upon the Inhabitantes of what they finde the Town Indebted and as they think Needfull to be Leved voted and chosen for a Comitty to Joyne with the Select men viz Leut Joseph Stebbins Samuel Bliss 3^d Nathaniel Burt Jun^r and Samu^{el}l Ely.

Coll John Pynchon was Chosen to be Representative for the Remainder of this year.

it was further voted to allow Thomas Jones five pound accounting the fifty shillings in that he hath allredy Received.

at this meeting the Select men p^resenting to the Town some money belonging to James Osband from Jonathan Bliss &

it was voted by the Inhabitants to Chose a Comitty to Consider what methods might be left to Recover and obtaine what Right belonged to the s^d James Osband from the s^d Jonathan Bliss and to order the Town Treasu^r to act according thereunto voted for a Comitteee Capt John Pynchon Leut John mirrick Pelatiah Bliss and Sert Joseph Cooly and it was voted that the Committee appointed to Consider of James Osbands Concernments should serch the Records what Right he might have as to Land at Grape Swamp and what might be done and make report thereof at the next Town meeting.

March y^e 8th 1714-15 att the Generall Town meating for Election of officers for the Town of Springfeild.

The Honoured Colonel Jn^o Pynchon was Chosen Moderator.

Captⁿ Jn^o Pynchon & James Mirick & Samll Bliss y^e 3^d & Luke Hitchcock sheriff & m^r Pelatiah Glover were chosen Select Men.

Joseph Warriner was Chosen Clerke & Sworn

Leut Jn^o Mirick was Chosen Town Treasurer.

Thomas Colton Jun^r & Christian Vanhorn & Jn^o Burt & Danil Parsons ware Chosen Constables. Charles Fere Sen^r & James Taylor Jun^r & Ebenezer Wariner & Pelatiah Morgain & Luke Hitchcock Jun^r Natll Bliss Jun^r ware Chosen Tythingmeen. Leut Jn^o Mirick & Natll Burt Jun^r & Sarjnt Jn^o Day ware Chosen Assessors. Benjaⁿ Cooley Jun^r & Natl Sikes Sen^r & Thomas Mirick Sen^r & Danil Morgain Jun^r and Samll Ball & Henry Rogers wear Chosen Serveighers of highways. Joseph Cooley 3^d & Jn^o Stebbins & Jonathan Worthenton & James Philips & Jonathan Morgain and Joseph Stebbins Jun^r & Henry Chapin and David Chapin & Jn^o Ely & Samll Day & Nathill Sikes Jun^r and Samll Barker, Fence Viewers & were Chosen to be feild Drivers. James

Dorchester Jun^r & Benjⁿ Knolton & Thomas Stebbins & Ebenezer Graves & Jonathan Worthenton & Jn^o Hail & Jn^o Fowler & Samll Fere and Samll Cooley & Ephraim Colton were chosen to execute the Law about Swine. Natll Burt Jun^r & Henry Burt & Jn^o Petty were chosen Measurers for Land.

And att this Generall Town Meeting it was voted that the Select Men should take effectual Care to provide a soficient Number of Bulls for the Towns use, att the Towns Charge.

And it was fither Dated & Concluded upon that the Assessors should Draw a List of the Names of those Persons that may Rightfully be Accounted voters the which is to be Read from time to time.

March 18th 1714-15 Att a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfeild It was voted to abate Joseph Barker Three pounds in his rent for the Town Land for this year En- suing. [III—296.]

May the 6th: 1715 att a Town Meeting of the freholders & other Inhabitants of Springfeild m^r Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was made Choice of to be Representative for this Town to attend the Sessions of the Generall Court for this present yeare.

June the 13th 1715 at a Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Springfeild it being moved by some of the Inhabitants of the west side of the Great River to have a highway Laid out between Samll Miller & Ebenezer Scots hom Lots into the woods it was voted in the Negative.

Novem; y^e 28th 1715 att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfeild belonging to East side of the Great River, Long medow excepted att this Meeting it was voted and Concluded upon to raise Thirty pounds for the Repairing of m^r Brewers House & barn, Alices the Buildings belonging to the Ministry. and it was further voted that Decon Nathanael Mun & Lieue^{nt} Joseph Stebbins & Henry Burt should Lay out this Thirty Pounds for the effecting of the above said worke.

m^r Brewer being uneasy respecting his not having equil proportion of grain it was further voted that Deacon James Warriner Leuit Joseph Stebbins & Decon Natll Mun should

discourse him about this thing & make report of what his desires are to this Society.

January 16th: 1715-16 att a Town Meeting of the freholders & other Inhabitants of Springfeild, Capt Jn^o Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Moderator for s^d Meeting.

It was voted at this Meeting that Doct^r John Sherman should have Raised for him forty pounds for his Teaching the school.

There was also granted to m^r Natll Downing Twenty five Pounds for Teaching the school on the west side of the River.

There was also granted Longmedow for ther school Twenty three Pounds

There was granted to Ephraim Stiles forty shillings for ringing the bell.

There was also granted to Samuel Bliss the third for bording Thomas Crofoot one Month sixteen shillings.

There was also granted to Deborah Gerrald Sevin Pounds Two shillings and four pence for her Expence upon Thomas Crofoot.

It was further voted that ther should be Seventeen Pounds fouer shillings Raised for the Discharging of Bulls.

There was further granted, to m^r Thomas Ingersoule Thirty shillings for clothing for James Osborn.

There was granted to m^r Luke Hitchcock Esq^r Sixteen Pounds sixteen shillings for his Service as Representative.

There was further Granted to m^r Luke Hitchcock Esq^r six shillings for a pare of shoes for James Osborn & ther was further granted to him Three shillings & Eighteen pence for a pound Lock.

There was granted to James Dorchester Sen^r Nine Pounds five shilings & Six pence for his Keeping James Osborn.

There was granted to John Harmon Two shillings & six-pence for clothing for James Osborn.

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There was also granted to Thomas Terry one shilling & six pence for his helping Thomas Crofoot from Chickuppe to Town.

There was also granted to Leint John Mirick Twelve Shillings for Two Sherts for James Osborn: & for paper Twenty pence

There was also Granted to m^r Pelatiah Glover on Pound Ten shillings for sundry writings for the Town & Making Rates

There was also granted to m^r Pelatiah Glover & his son Pelatiah Glover fouer shillings a peice for ther Journeying to Hadley on the Towns Concerne.

There was also granted to the Estate of David Miler of Endfeild Teen shiling for his Journey to Woodstock Towns Business

There was also Granted to Captn John Pynchon for Sundries expended for the use of John Killoms wife & Thomas Crofoot fouer Pounds fouer shilings and three pence.

There is Granted to Christian Vanhorn Eight shilings for his making the Pound Gate, hooks, eyes, & staple ther to.

Ther was also granted to the widdow Sarah Barbor for dieting Thomas Crofoot Twenty shillings.

It was further voted and Concluded upon that Captn John Pynchon m^r Pelatiah Glover & Leut Joseph Bedartha be a Commity to treat with Northampton in order to an a Comadation of the Diferences betweene Springfeild & Northampton Respecting the Bounds of the Township of Springfeild & Northampton. The time & place of the aforesaid Commitys meeting for effecting the aforesaid worke is to be left with Captain John Pynchon and said Commity is to make Report of there said doings unto the said Town of Springfeild, and the Charges of the said Commity is to be born by the said Town of Springfeild.

There was also further granted to the farmers of Chickuppe & Skipmuck Twelve Pounds towards schooling of ther Childerine for this yeare ensuing.

March 13th: 1715-16 Att the Genarall Town Meeting for the Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfeild.

The Honoured Colonel John Pynchon Esqr was Chosen Moderator.

Joseph Warriner was Chosen Clarke & Sworn.

John Fere Sen^r James Warriner 2^d Captⁿ John Pynchon, Lieut Joseph Stebbins, Samuel Ely were Chosen Select Men.

Thomas Terry, Nathanael Sikes Juner, John Harmon, John Cooley were chosen Constables.

m^r William Pynchon, Lieut Joseph Stebbins, Samll Ely were chosen Assessors.

Lieut John Mirick was chosen Town Treasurer.

Charles Fere Sen^r, Benjamin Stebbins, Joseph Lennard Jun^r Natll Lennard, Samuel Keep, Thomas Colton, Natll Morgain, Jonathan Bagg, Ebenezer Chapin, Bon Vanhorn, Thomas Mirick Sen^r, Thomas Jones Sen^r Fence Viewers and they wer also Chosen feild Drivers. [III—298.]

Thomas Hail, Thomas Bliss L^t David Morgain sen^r, Will^m Bliss, Henry Roggers Jun^r, John Lennard were Chosen Tything men.

Will^m Warriner, Samuel Sikes, Natll Hitchcock, Samuel Cooley, Serj^{nt} John Bagg, Jonathan Tailor, George Colton were Chosen Surveighers for highways.

Natll Burt Jun^r, John Petty, Henry Burt, were chosen Land Mesuerers.

Joseph Ashley (Alias Miller,) Samuel Hitchcock, John Lamb, David Morgain Jun^r, Natll Bliss 2^d John Atchenson, Joseph Barker, Benjamin Ball Gershom Hail Jun^r Natll Ban-craft were Chosen to prosicut the Law Respecting Swine.

Insign Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Sealer of Leather.

And it was further voted and agreed upon that those persons that run the Line for the Town (which was done by them at two times the first time was in April: the Last in October in the yeer one thousand seven hundred and fifteen) should have for ther service Twelve pounds sevinteen shilings & seven pence.

Voted that the Assessors shal have pay for fifty one Days making the rates the Last year.

It was voted that the Inhabitants of the West side should have six shilings given them towards making there Ministers Rate.

It was further voted that Liut John Mirick should have for his Service as Town Treasurer fifteen shillings.

March 28th 1716. Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield.

Liu^{nt} Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Modderator.

It was voted and concluded upon that that vote which was Made att the General Town Meeting March 8th 1714-15 shall Continue still in force. Respecting the Towns Men provid- ing Bulls for the Towns use & at Towns charge, only that the charge be defrayed in Town pay.

Those parts of the Town of Springfield Inhabitants which was by the Town voted to be precincts are as follows viz

1. The West side of the great River.
2. The Longmedow.
3. The West side of Agawam River.
4. The upper Chickape, East side great River.
5. The Lower Chickape, East side great River.
6. And Skipmuck, East side great River.

It was further voted that each of the places above mentioned should be a Lowed precincts Respecting of schools. It was further voted that they should be Continued precincts for three years. Voted that Every Precinct shall pay to there one school. Voted that that precinct which doth neglect keeping A School that Money which is Raised upon them for the Suporting of the schools shall return into the Town Treasury. Voted further to raise Eighty Two pounds in pay in order to the supporting the schools in Springfield.

It was further voted and concluded upon that all sorts of grain shall pass as formerly [III—299.] viz: Wheat att fouer shilling P Bushel Peas att fouer shillings P Bushel, Rie at Three Shillings P Bushel, Barley att fouer Shilings P Bushel, Indian corn att Two Shillings & Sixpence P B Oats att Two Shillings P Bushel.

May 11th 1716. att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield.

Captⁿ John Pynchon Esq^r was Chosen Modderator.

M^r Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was chosen To be Representative

for this Town To attend the Session of the Generall Cort for this present yere

Voted that the Select Men of this Town of Springfeild doe upon the Charge of this Town send Thomas Crofoot of s^d Town to M^r [] Kibbe of Reading or to any other person as the Select Men of the Town shall in there Discretion think meet in order to a Cure of his Wound and that the s^d Town of Springfeild doe Discharge the Charge of the s^d Cure

Att this Meeting it was put to vote whether the Town would Release Doct^r John Sherman acording to his Desire from Teaching the school & it was Resolved in the Negative.

June 15th 1716. Att a Meeting of the freeholders and others of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild.

Lieu^{nt} Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Modderator.

It was voted that ther shall be some Men Appointed by the Town to git a gramer School Master. It was further voted that the Select Men or any three of them shall have power to higher a gramer school Master and that upon the Towns Charge.

Voted that M^r William Pynchon, Henry Burt Sen^r, Leut John Fere shall Joyne with Longmedow Com^{tee} to run the Line between the Town and the Longmedow precinct.

Voted that what grain the Town Treasurer hath or shall have of the Towns shall be disposed of by him to the best advantage he can for the Towns use.

July 27th 1716 Att a Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Springfeild.

Samuel Ely was Chosen Modderator.

Voted that the Town will Petition the Quarter Sessions to have the Liberty to Settle the Fery in the Town so as shall be most for the Towns Advantage And the Select Men shall manage the Cause in the Towns behalfe with Quarter Sessions

November 2: 1716 Att a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfeild.

Leut^{nt} Joseph Stebbins was chosen Moderator.

Voted to give Danil Cooley for his Bull this yere Twenty shilings.

Voted to Give m^r Thomas Ingersoule for bringing up m^r Josiah Jaquish Ten Shilings. It was further voted to allow the Accompt which the Select Men brought in and read before the Town. It was further voted to raise Twelve Pounds for the Killoms. It was further voted to raise for John Hail five pounds. Voted to raise for Thomas Jones five pounds. Voted to give the Widow Steele fouer pounds. It was further voted to raise Teen pound in Money for wolves. It was further voted [III—300.] to Revive the Bond which the Town have of m^r Thomas Ingersoule: Voted that if the Bond be not Revived by the first of Febr: then the Select Men shall sue it out.

It was further voted to allowe the Town Treasurer Twenty shillings for his Service as such.

January the 9th 1716-17 Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild on the East side the Precinct of Longmedow Excepted.

Captⁿ John Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Moderator for said Meeting.

It was voted that what particular charge may arise upon the Inhabitants of the East side of the great River the Precinct of Longmedow Excepted shall be added to the Ministers Rate. Voted that the Society will pay the Revd M^r Daniel Brewers rate in Money instid of Town pay provided that they can agree with him for time and price for the future. Voted that James Warriner Sen^r M^r Luke Hitchcock & Leut^{nt} Joseph Stebbins should treat with the Rev^d Mr Brewer Respecting this thing. The Rev^d M^r Brewers Return to the Society was that he would asept of 90£ in Money insted of what he use to have in grain. The Ninty pounds was put to vote & was Resolved in the Negative. Voted to give the Rev^d M^r Brewer Eighty five pounds of Money for the Term of Three years including this present yeare; provided he asept of it in Lite of what he use to have in grain. Voted that M^r Luke Hitchcock & Leu^{nt} Joseph Stebins should wait upon the Rev^d M^r Brewer to know his Answer whether he will accept of it or not. The Rev^d M^r Brewer return was he desired to weight

till Munday or Tuslay next before he gave an answer. Voted to accept of his desire.

Voted to give Nathaneel Mun Twenty Shilings for his service in weighting upon the Rev^d M^r Brewer to Boston.

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At the Generall Town Meeting for Election of Town officers march y^e 12th: 1716-17.

The Select Men that were Chosen were Leutt Joseph Stebbins & Leu^{tt} John Mirick & Samuell Bliss 3^d & Leu^{tt} John Fere & Samuell Day.

The Clerk then Chosen was Pelatiah Bliss who was then Sworn.

The Constables then Chosen were Thomas Stebbins & Joseph Ashley jun^r & Eliakim Cooly & Henry Wright who were then Sworn to s^d office.

The Tything men that were chosen were Nathanell Dumbleton & Deacon Ebenezer Parsons & John Burt & Tilly Mirrick & Obadia Miller & John Atchanson.

The Surveigher of high wayes That were Chosen were Joseph Cooly 3^d & Ensign Thomas Colton & Samuell Warner & David Morgan Senior & John Morgan & Samuell Bedortha & Jonathan Bagg & Jonathan Cooly & John Stebbins Senior.

The Town Treasurer Chosen was Leu^{tt} John Mirrick.

The Fence veiwers Chosen were Jonathan Chapen & Benjamin Chapen & Luke Hitchcock 3^d & David Morgan Jun^r & John Hitchcock Junir & Samuell Ely & Ebenezer Day & Leutt Joseph Bedortha & Pelatiah Morgen & Ebenezer Graves & Isaac Frost & Benja: Stevenson.

The Sealer of Lether Chosen was Increase Sikes.

The Measurers For Land Chosen were Henry Burt & Samuell Ely.

The Persons Chosen to Execute the Law Respecting Swine were John Hancock & Samuell & William Stebbins & James Taylor Junier & Francis Ball & James Phillips & Jonathan Stevenson & Jonathan Morgan & Thomas Glover & Nathanell Bliss 2^d & Samuell Cooly & it was also voted That the

Town Clerk viz Pelatiah Bliss should att the Town Charg make or provide Sutable Assisters for the Town Records.

May 6th: 1717 At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild.

Leutt Joseph Stebbins was Chosen to be Representativ for the Town for this present year.

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September y^e 20th: 1717. Att a Town meeting Leu^{tt} Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Moderator.

At this meeting it was voted that there be a Pettition Sent to the Generall assembly praying that the Deviding Line between the Town of Springfeild and Enfeild may be Established according as it was Run Last before the 30th of Aprill Anno: 1684 and Consented to by the Committe and Inhabitants of the s^d Town of Enfeild on the s^d 30th of Aprill 1684 and it was also voted that Cap^t John Pynchon and Leutt Pelatiah Glover should Draw up or Prepare s^d Pettion In y^e Towns Behalfe.

November y^e 22^d: 1717 Att a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild.

Cap^t Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modorator.

Voted to Raise one pound & five shillins for Thomas merick for his Going to fech y^e Schoolmaster & ther was also Granted To Pelatiah Bliss one Pound & Ten Shillins for Preparing Alphabets for y^e Town Records & also Granted To Pelatiah Bliss Two shillins & Sixpence for Copeys out of y^e Record & there was Granted for Preambulation Three Pound & Twelve shillins & it was voted That y^e money be kept in y^e Town Treasury until y^e Preambulators do make Return that They have don their worke & there was also Granted to Leu^{tt} John Mirick Seventeen Shillins & six pence for Bords to make the Pound & there was Granted to Joseph Ashley five Shillins & Two pence for his work about y^e Pound & There was Granted for Doctor Sherman Two Pound & Two shillins & four pence for what he Did for Thomas Crowfoot & there was Granted To Thomas Stebbins Two shillins & six pence for his making a Constabels Stafe also Granted to Ben-

jamin Barclett Three Shillins for Keeping Thomas Crowfoot & there is Granted four shillins & six pence for mending the Pound on y^e west side of y^e Great River & it was voted to pay the Assessors for There worke & there is Granted Leutt John mirrick to have Twenty shillins for Serving as Town Treasurer & There is Granted Thomas Mirrick Three shillins & four pence for mending the Schoole House & To Obadiah Cooly for mending the Schoole house two shillins & six pence & To Ensign Nathll Sikes five shillins & six pence provided he Satisfie y^e Select men that his work is worth it & There is Granted to Defray y^e Charg of Bulls Eighteen Pounds & Thirteen Shillins & there is Granted for Keeping James Osbond Ten Pounds & it was also voted there shal be five Pounds Raised for y^e Poore & There is Granted five Pound for the Schoole house on the west side of y^e River & There is Granted Two Pounds for Repairing y^e Schoole house on y^e East side y^e River & There is Granted Three Pounds for the Schoole House at Longmedow & There is Granted Eleven Pounds & Ten Shillins for James Garralls keeping y^e schoole at Longmedow & it was also voted that the Select men do at the Towns Charges Provide meete Persons to Carry on the Affaire of schooling for the Town according to y^e Discretion of s^d Select men.

Voted also that Every Person that doth Send any Scholer to Schoole from the fiftenth of October to the Last of march and Neglects to Send a Load of wood within Eight or Ten Dayes after such Scholer is Sent That then there shall be Four shillins aded to such Persons Town Rate & it was also voted that s^d vote be presented to the Sessions for Confermation.
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January y^e 1: 1717-18. Att a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfeild on the East side the River, y^e Precinct of Longmedow Excluded.

Capt John Pynchon was chosen Modarator.

Voted that the Glas Windows of the Meeting house be Re-paired and Amended at the Charge of the Inhabitants belonging to it. Voted that the underpining of the Meeting

house and the sheds over the windows be Repaired and Amended at the Charge of the Inhabitants belonging to it.

Voted that James Warriner Junier and Joseph Parsons are appointed to Effect the aforesaid votes and to Lay out Twenty Shillins in Repairing any thing Elce in the Meeting house that shal be Needfull and whereas there was a former vote to Give the Rever^d M^r Daniel Brew^er Eighty five Pounds a year for Three years it is now voted to Ad fifteen Pound thereunto for this year.

March y^e 11th: 1717-18. Att the Generall Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfield.

Lwu^{tt} Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Modarator.

Leu^{tt} John Fere & Samuell Bliss 3^d & Ensign Henry Burt & John Worthington & Joseph Parsons were Chosen Select Men.

Pelataiah Bliss was Chosen Clerk and Sworen to s^d office

Thomas Haile & Increase Sikes & Thomas Chapen & Samuel Ball were Chosen Constables.

Ephraim Colton & Leu^{tt} John Fere & Samuel Day were Chosen Assessors. Leu^{tt} Ju^o Mirrick was Chosen Town Treasurer.

John White & Thomas Miller & Samuel Colton & Samuel Sikes & Gershom Fere & Joseph Stebbins Jun^r were Chosen Tything men.

David Chapen & John Hitchcock Jun^r & Thomas Mirick Sen^r & Ensign Nathanel Sikes & Nathanel Bliss 2^d & Ensign James Mirrick & Joseph Lenord were Chosen Surveyer of high wayes.

Deacon Nathanel Burt & Ensign Henry Burt & Samuel Ely were Chosen Meassurers for Land.

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And Ebenezer Warriner & Samuel Warner & John Chapen & Thomas Terry Sen^r & Nathanell Sikes 2^d & John White & Samuel Stebbins & Cap^t George Colton & John Burt & John Stebbins 3^d & Nathanel Morgan Sen^r & Samuel Barker were Chosen Fence vewers & Feild Drivers.

May y^e 7th: 1718. At a Lawfull Town meeting of the

freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield, Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modarator.

Cap^t Luke Hitchcock was made Choice of to be Representative for this Town to attend the Sessions of the General Court for this Present year.

Voted also that there be a Comittee to prepare A Petition to y^e General Court with Respect to their Conserving of the Aunchent Bounds between this Town & y^e Town of Enfeild & it was voted that Cap^t Luke Hitchcocke & Leu^{tt} Joseph Stebbins & Samuel Bliss 3^d be of s^d Comittee.

Voted also that the Select men have power to Let out the Town Meddow for the Terme of two years & it is farther voted that y^e Selectmen have power to lett out the barrieng place at y^e End of Pelatiah Bliss his Lott for y^e Term of Seven years. & it was also voted that their be Levied on the Inhabitants of the Town Nine Pounds for the Procureing of a free ferry for this present year and Twenty & five pounds for the year Ensuing & that the Nine pounds be Raised this year and it was also voted that if their be not occasion for so much as the whole Sum that then the Remainder be paid into the Town Treasury and it is also voted that John Worthinton & Joseph Williston & James Mirrick be a Comittee to see y^e affair Respecting the ferry Efected & it is voted also that the ferry be kept at the uper wharfe.

August 22: 1718 Att a Lawfull Town meeting Lu^{tt} Joseph Cooly was Chosen Moderator. y^e meeting was ad-journed unto September y^e 1st: 1718 att y^e 2 of y^e Clock in the afternoone but they did not then meete.

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September y^e 12th: 1718. Att a Lawfull Town Meeting Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modarator.

it was voted that the Schoole House on the East side the Great River be Removed to the East side of the Street and that the House be New builded and that it be done at the Cost and y^e Charge of y^e Town and further it is voted that the Se-lect men do take Care that y^e Same be Speedly Efected.

At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Spring-

field on the Twenty Sixth of December 1718 Samll Bliss 3^d was Chosen Modarater.

The payeing of the Particular Sumes hereafter Named were then Granted.

To Increase Sikes for mending James Osband Shoes 2 shillins.

To a shirt for James Osband 7 shillins.

To James Gerralls for Keeping Schoole att Longmedow 8 pounds 15 shillins.

To the Schoole master in the Town Plat 45 pounds.

To the schoole master on the west side the River 30 pounds.

To the 2 Chicopes Schooles Six poundes.

To the School master at Longmedow 15 pounds & 5 shillins.

To Henry Burt for making a Pound Gate & hangeing of it 4 shillins.

To Samll Bliss 3^d for Runeing y^e Line between Springfeild & Enfeild 3 shillins & to John Worthinton for Runing the Line 3 shillins.

To Collonel Partridge and m^r Samll Porter for Runeing y^e Line between us and Enfeild 3 poundes and there is also Granted Twelve Poundes for the Assessors and for Poundes and other Contingent Charge and further there is Granted to Ephraim Colton for a Bull one Pound & Eight shillins

To Captain Thomas Colton for one Bull one pound & Eight shillins.

To Deacon Burt for a Bull one pound & Ten Shillins &

To Nathanell Burt Sen^r for a Bull 25 shillins &

To y^e Cooleyes for a Bull one Pound & 14 shillins also

To Thomas Bliss for a Bull 25 shillins and

To John Fere for two Bulls one pound & 10 shillins and

To Joseph Stebbins for one Bull one pound & 5 shillins &

To Samuel Lamb for one Bull one pound 10 shillins and

To Timothy Horton for one Bull one pound & five shillins

To Thomas Chapen for one Bull one pound & 5 shillins

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To Benjamin Chapen for a Bull fifteen shillins and

To Jonathian Chapen for a Bull Eight shillins and
 To Nathanell Dumbleton for a Bull one Pound & 15 shillins
 To William Scot for a Bull Ten shillins and
 To Benjamin Leonard for a Bull one Pound and
 To Benjamin Beamon for a Bull one pound & 10 shillins &
 To the Assessors Samuel Day & Ephraim Colton & Leu^{tt}
 John Fere upon y^e valuation and making the Lists ffourteen
 Dayes and a halfe Each or a peice the Sume Grante:l for that
 Service was six pounds & 10 Shillins and Six pence.

To Leutt John Fere for 4 Dayes about making the Coun-
 ty Rates Twelve shillins & there is Granted for James Dor-
 chester for keeping James Osband Eight pound and Sixteen
 shillins.

To Capt Luke Hitchcocks Service as Representative
 Eighty & Eight dayes Seventeen pounds & Twelve shillins &
 To Charges for or about Setting y^e Line between this Town
 and Enfeild Three Pounds & Twelve Shillins and To Ensign
 John Miller Ten Shillins & To Jonathan Ely Ten shillins.

To Leut John Mirick for Service of Town Treasurer Twen-
 ty and five Shillins and in answer to the Petition of Matthew
 Noble there is Granted to him Twelve pounds In answer to
 the Petition of the Precinct of Longmedow there is Granted
 Three Pounds and In answer to the Petition of Nathall Mor-
 gan and Jonathan Bagg the Town voted to Abate Three
 Pounds of the Rent of y^e Land for this year and it was also
 voted the Select men to make up the Towns accompts with
 Capt John Pynchon and pay what is his Due from the Town.

In the first part of this meeting it was Proposed to the
 Town wheter they would Grant the accompt of the Charges
 and Cost of the Schoole House then presented by the Select
 men and it was voted in Negative and on further Consid-
 erations it was againe Put to vote and the accompt and Par-
 ticular Sums were Granted.

May y^e 7th: 1718. Ebenezer Warriner Petitioned to the
 Town that they would Grant him Liberty to build a House
 In the highway Between y^e foot path that Ledeth over mill
 river and y^e Path that Ledith over at the Cart way: and at a

Town meeting August y^e 2^d: 1718: y^e above s^d Petition of Ebenezer Warriner was Granted.

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March 10th: 1718-19. At the Generll Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfield Capt John Pynchon J^r was chosen Modarater.

Samuel Day & Samuel Ely & Deacon Ebenezer Parsons & Leutt John Day & Ensign James Merick were Chosen Select men.

Pelatiahs Bliss was chosen Clerk and he was then Sworn to s^d office.

Benjamin Chapen & Samuel Warner & Joseph Cooley 3^d & Jonathan Bagg were Chosen Constables.

Leut John Mirick was Chosen Town Treasurer & he was sworn to s^d office.

Joseph Williston & Samuel Ely & Capt George Colton were Chosen Assessors.

John Chapen & Eliakim Cooley & Leut Joseph Bedortha & Jonathan Worthington & Daniel White & Obadiah Cooly & John Lamb were Chosen Tything men.

Nathanel Morgan & Benjamin Stebbins & Josia Lenord & Samuel Cooly & John Atchanson & John Hitchcock Sen^r & Jonathan Chapen & Luke Hitchcock 2^d & James Dorchester Jun^r were Chosen Surveyers of Highways.

Samuel Lamb Sen^r & Ebenezer Hitchcock & Christian Vanhorn & Samuel Ball & Joseph Lenord & Ebenezer Day & Samuel Colton & Nathanel Bliss Jun^r & John Bagg & William Scot & Ebenezer Chapen & Benjamin Wright were Chosen veiwers & ffeild Drivers.

Deacon Nathaull Burt & Henry Burt & Samuel Ely were Chosen Measurers for Land.

John Hancock & Joseph Cooly 2^d & Jonathan Cooly & Thomas Chapin jun^r & Born Vanhorn & John Stebbins Jr & Ebenezer Morgan & Nathaull Bancroft & Benja Stevenson & Samuel Barker & Thomas Miler J^r were Chosen to Execute the Law Respecting Swine.

Pelatiahs Bliss was Chosen Sealer of Leather: the votes were caried In for Countey Treasurer.

May 11th: 1719: At a meeting of y^e ffreeholders & of y^e Town of Springfield Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen to be their Representative for this present year.

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Aug y^e 29th: 1719. At a Legal Town meeting of y^e Inhabitants of Springfield Leu^{tt} Joseph Stebbins was Chosen moderator

Voted that the Present Selectmen Provide a meet person to Teach the Gramar Schoole in this Town for the present year. voted also that the present Select men take care for the supplying the schooles in the precincts of the West side and the Long meddow with Sutable persons to accomplish s^d Service voted also that the Select men Employ m^r James Garreld In the Service of teaching a Gramer Schoole In this Town if he be found Capable.

Voted that Leut Joseph Stebbins Samll Bliss and Samll Ely be a Commite to Examine the Town Treasurers acompts.

Voted that John Barber have the Town fferry for the term of one year next Insueing he payeing to the Town Treasury the Sum of Six Pounds & Giveing Bond to attend s^d Ferry according to Law.

At a Lawfull Town meeting of y^e Inhabitants of Springfield December y^e 18: 1719. Voted to Raise these Several Sums of money as followeth:

| | £ | s | d |
|---|----|----|----|
| for y ^e Schoole on the West Side the Great River | 30 | 00 | 00 |
| for y ^d Schoole on the East Side the River | 28 | 10 | 00 |
| for y ^e Schoole att y ^e Longmedow | 17 | 08 | 00 |
| for William Scots Bull | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| for Joseph Ely, Bull | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| to Nathanel Dumbleton for his Bull | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| to John White & Josiah Lenard for a Bull | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| to Benjamin Lenord for his Bull | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| to Ephraim Stilles for Ringing of Nine a Clock Bell | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| to Leutt John Day for a Bull | 00 | 05 | 00 |

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|--|----|----|----|
| for the Pound on y ^e West side the River | 04 | 10 | 00 |
| to Ensign James Mirick for a Lock for y ^e Pound | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| to James Dorchester for Keeping James Osband | 11 | 00 | 06 |
| to Thomas Hail for a Bull | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| to Capt Thomas Colton for a Bull | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| to Leutt Joseph Cooley for a Bull | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| to Leutt John Fere for Bulls | 03 | 00 | 00 |
| for a quier of Paper | 00 | 01 | 10 |
| for Drening y ^e Town Land | 01 | 11 | 11 |
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| to Leutt John Mirick for his Serving in y ^e Work of a Town Treasurer | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| to Joseph Ashley for Worke att y ^e School house | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| for Nailes for y ^e Schoole house | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| to Capt Luke Hitchcock for his Serveing y ^e Town as Representative 84 Dayes y ^e Whole Sum being 16£ 16 ^s : Whereof he is paid Seven pound and Remains Due to him to Raise | 09 | 16 | 00 |
| to Joseph Ashley for a Great Chaire for y ^e Schoole | | 05 | 00 |
| to Deacon Burt for his Bull | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| to Samuel Lamb for his Bull | 01 | 05 | 00 |
| to money for a paire of Stockes | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| to Benjamin Chapen for a Bull | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| to Benjamin Beamon for a Bull | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| to Jonathan Chapen for a Bull | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| to Ebenezer Miller for a Bull | 01 | 05 | 00 |
| to Eliakim Cooly & Henry Stills & Eben- ezer Warriner & Nathanel Sikes & John Burt for Carieng a way Person Three Shillings a peece all att | 00 | 15 | 00 |
| to David Burt for his Horse | 00 | 01 | 10 |
| to Their Charges att Enfeild | 00 | 05 | 00 |

to Samuel Warner 02 00 00

to Capt Hitchcock as an addition to the upper Chickuppe towards a Schoole 03 00 00

Voted that y^e money Raised for the Maintainance of James John Holyoke was chosen clerke for the Town.

Osband be paid to James Dorchester by order of the Select men att 4^s & 6^d p^r weeke for his Board & also a vote made to allow o^r Representative the Sum Exprest.

Voted that the Precinct of the Longmedow have Liberty to Build a Pound and to bring in the account to be alowed by the Town.

Feb^r y^e 1: 1719-20 at a Lawfull Town Meeting of y^e Inhabitants of Springfield Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modarator. Voted that Joseph Williston & John Worthington & Ensign James Mirick be a Comitty to agree with Some Persons to Cary on y^e affaire of Ferrys for this Town.

March y^e 8th 1719-20 Att the Generall Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfield.

Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modarator & it was voted that Capt Luke Hitchcock & Leutt John Fere & Samuel Blis 3^d Ensign Henery Burt & James Warriar Ju^r Should be the Select men for the year Ensuing.

& Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Town Clerk.

& Luke Hitchcock y^e 2^d & Jonathan Chapen & Samuel Cooley & Joseph Lenard were Chosen Constables.

& Ensign Samuel Keep & John Ely & Leutt John Day & Joseph Parsons & John Worthinton were Chosen Assessors.

& Leutt John Mirrick was Chosen Town Treasurer.

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& Henry Chapen & Samuel Stebbins & Jonathan Taylor & Pelatiah Morgan & Thomas Bliss s^r & Ensign Nathanel Sikes & Thomas Stebbins were Chosen Tything men & Sammel & Ebenezer Day & John White & Ephraim Colton & Jonathan Cooley & Danel Parsons & Samuel Chapen & Joseph Ashley & William Bliss were Chosen Surveighers of Highwayes.

& Joseph Stebbins J^r & Ebenezer Morgan & Thomas Miller Sen^r & Charles Fere & Joseph Colton & Ebenezer Lenord

Jun^r & Thomas Bliss 2^d & Joshua Feild & Nathanel Sikes Jr & Joseph Barker & Henery Wright & Thomas Chapen Jun^r were Chosen Fence viewers & Haywards or ffield drivers.

Deacon Nathanel Burt & Ensign Henery Burt & Samuel Ely were Chosen Measurers for Land.

& Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Sealer of Lether

& Luke Hitchcock 3^d & Inceas Sikes were Chosen to be Surveyers & Measurers of Boards Plank Timber & Slit-work & Surveyers of Shingles.

At a Lawfull Town-meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield March y^e 29th: 1720

Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modarator.

Voted that there be money Raised In order to prosecute the Law against those that shall Transgres the Law in Cutting the Pine Trees.

Voted that the Select men do agree with James Gerrald to Teach y^e Gramer Schoole for this present year.

Voted that Deacon Nathanel Burt & Leutt Joseph Cooley & Leutt Ephraim Colton be a Committee to agree with Enfield In Running the Line or Bounds Between us & them and to Ajust & Settel y^e s^d Bounds.

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield May y^e 9th 1720: Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modarater.

Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Representative for the Town of Springfield to Represent them in y^e Sessions of the Great General Assembly for this year & whereas the present Select men Notefing the Town that they are by the Heirs of Colonel John Pynchon Deceased & by m^r Joseph Parsons Summons to Answer their Neglect of Laying out a Tract or Grant of Land to them It was voted that the Select men doe manage that affaire viz: of Answering in that Case In behalfe of the Town & It was also voted that It be done at the Cost and Charge of the Town.

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield on June y^e 20th: 1720: Capt Luke Hitchcocke was Chosen Modarator.

Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Representative
 Voted that the Select men Doe Lett out the Town meddow
 Not Exceeding the Term of five years.

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January 3^d: 1720-21. At a meeting of the ffreeholders
 and other Inhabitants of Springfield Lawfully Assembeled

Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Modarator.

at this Meeting the voters Granted the Several Particular
 Sums that were presented to them by the Select men & al
 which were put to vote by the modarator and it was also
 voted that the uper Chickuppe have Three Pounds as money
 In Grain toward y^e Support of a School there.

March 14th: 1720-21. At the General Town Meeting for
 Election of Officers for the Town of Springfield.

Leutt Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Modarator.

Pelataiah Bliss was Chosen Town Clerk.

& Leutt Joseph Stebbins & Leutt Joseph Cooley & Samuel
 Bliss 2^d & Thomas Bliss Sen^r & Inceas Sikes were Chosen
 Select men:

& John Lamb & Thomas Miller & Nathanel Bliss 2^d &
 John Morgan & Samuel Barker were Chosen Constabels.

& Leutt John Fere & Leutt Ephraim Colton & John Bagg
 were Chosen Assessors.

& Leutt John Mirick was Chosen Town Treasurer.

& Samuel Chapen & Samuel Sikes & Ebenezer Warner &
 Thomas Bliss 3^d & John Ely & Ensign John Miller were Chosen
 Tytheing men:

& Francis Ball & Henry Rogers & Thomas Stebbins &
 William Warriner & Ensign Nathanel Sikes & Thomas Haile
 & Benjamin Ball were Chosen Surveighers of Highways:

& Daniel Cooley Jun^r & Ebenezer Day & Leutt John Day
 & Benjamin Stebbins & Joseph Williston & John Worthin-
 ton & Benjamin Morgan & Ensign John Hitchcock & Elia-
 kim Cooley & William Stebbins & Benjamin Chapin & David
 Chapin were Chosen Fence vewers & Feild Drivers.

& Deacon Nathanel Burt & Henry Burt & Samuel Ely
 were Chosen Measurers for Land.

& Inceas Sikes was Chosen Sealer of Leather.

& Ephraim Barclet & Cornealus Web & John Atchanson & James Taylor & Oliver Barker were Chosen to be Hogreeves.

& Fanil White & Joseph Ashley were Chosen to Execute the Law Respecting Bords & Shingles.

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield May 19th: 1721:

Leutt Joseph Cooley was Chosen Modarator.

Leutt Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Representative for the Town of Springfield to Represent them in the Sessions of the Great & General Assembly for this year also it was voted that there be Liberty Granted that the Swine do goe at Large for this present year they being yoaked & Ringed according as the Law Directs.

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August y^e 16: 1721: At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Luke Hitchcock Esqr was Chosen Representative

September the 20th: 1721. Att a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield

Luke Hitchcock Esqr was Chosen Modarator.

it was voted that the Town will Receive their Proportion of the Fifty Thousand Pounds in Bill of Credit according as it is Set forth in the Act of the Generall Assembly Respecting the Same which is Six hundred Twenty Seven pounds five Shillings and it was also voted there be Three Trustees to act In the Towns behalf according to the Rules Set or Given In s^d act and it was voted that Leutt John Mirick and Leutt John Day and Thomas Horton be the Trustees for the Town which Trustees were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of their Trust and it was voted that the Selectmen be Impowered to Receive from the Treasurer this Towns proportion of the fifty Thousand pounds in Bills of Credit which is Six hundred Twenty seven pound five Shillings and that the Select men doe Deliver the s^d Sumes of money to the Trustees afores^d and Receive a Receipt thereof of the Trustees In the Towns Behalfe it was

also voted that the money be Let out at five pound on the hundred pr Annum It was concluded also that this meeting be Adjourned into October the 12th: Next Ensueing at 2 of the Clock In the afternoon: & accordinly on the 12th of October: 1721 the Inhabitants of s^d Town Met it was voted that the s^d Trustees Do not let out any greater Sumes then Thirty Pound to any particlar Person nor any Less Sumes then Ten Pounds it was also voted that it be Left with the Trustees to act according to their best Discretion in Leting the above s^d money Either to take Real Estate for Security or Personal Estate that may be Sufficient and it was also voted that when any of the Principal Sumes shall be paid Into the Trustees the Trustees have Liberty to Let out the Same again. [III—313.]

November 29th: 1721 At a Lawfull Town meeting of the ffreeholders & inhabitantes of Springfield.

Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Modarator.

the Inhabitants did then Grant the account & Several Sums which were presented to them by the Select men which were Debts Due from s^d Town and they did also vote that the upper Chickuppy have Three pounds Granted to help pay for their Schoole master which Is to be paid In Such pay as the Schoole on the West side the River & the Schoole In the Longmedow are paid In:

Voted that we Will Build a Court House provided our Neighbouring Townes viz Westfield & Suffield & Enfield & Brookfield be Assisting to us In doeing of It.

Voted also that this Town will be at Halfe the Cost & Charge of s^d house:

Voted that Capt Luke Hitchcock & Joseph Williston & John Worthinton be a Committe to Inform the Towns of Westfield & Suffield & Enfield & Brookfield of the vote of this Town & to See what the s^d Townes will Doe or Give to the Building of s^d House & to make Returne thereof to this Town.

Voted that the Select men Doe Look after & Secure the Townes Stock of Armes or Gunes & Ammunition.

also there Is Granted seven or Eight Shillins to Defray the Charge of Drening the Townes Medow.

Voted that Luke Hitchcock y^e 2^d have Two Shillins & Seven pence Granted on account of a mistake Committed by the Assessors Respecting Widow Mercy Days Rate. It was Concluded that the meeting be Adjourned to the 21 of December 1721: at one of the Clock In the afternoon: of s^d Day: and on the 21 day of December 1721 the Inhabitants being Assembled together by Adjournement It was Concluded to Adjourne the s^d meeting to the 26 day of December Currant at one of the Clock In the After noone of s^d 26 Day: and on the s^d 26 Day of December 1721 the Inhabitants afores^d being Assembled together It was voted that Luke Hitchcock Esq^r have foure pounds & Twelve Shillins Granted him for his Service In the General Court 3 Dayes In Last March & there is Granted to Joseph Stebbins Sen^r for his Goeing to Court 2 Dayes Eight shillins: and In answer to a petition of the Committee of Longmedow there is Granted Seven Pounds toward the Defraing the Cost and Charge they have bin at about their School house and whereas the Inhabitants being Lawfully Assembled to Gether on November 29th 1721 Did voted they would Build a Court House provided our Neighbouring Towns viz: Westfield & Suffield & Enfield & Brookfield be Assisting us In Doeing of it It it is Now also voted the s^d Court House shal be fourty foot Long and Thirty foot Wide and Seventeen ffoot Stud It was also voted that Joseph Williston and John Worthington and Luke Hitchcock Senior be a Committe to make provision for and Effect the Building and Finishing of the s^d Court House [III—314.] and It was also voted that the s^d Committe Doe appoint and they have full pouer to Conclude upon and determine the place where the s^d Court House shall stand: and also Before the meeting was Dismissed or Dissolved ther was Delivered to the meeting a List of the Names of some persons who did enter their Desent against the Rate for Building of a Court House and Raiseing of money whome these Persons are may further appeare by said List.

February 9th 1721-22 At a Lawfull Town Meeting of the ffreeholders and Inhabitants of Springfield qualified as Law Directs.

Lieutt Ephraim Colton was Chosen Modarator.

Voted the price of Graine for payeing Town Charges this year shall be as foloweth viz Indian Corne two shillins & sixpence the Bushell Rie at three Shillins & sixpence the Bushell Oates at Eighteen pence the Bushell wheat at five Shillins the Bushell barley at three Shillins & six pence the Bushell.

Voted Capt Luke Hitchcock Samuel Day & Lewtt John Fere be a Committe to Examine the Town Treasurers accounts and to make up accounts with him and to make Return thereof to the Next Town meeting & that Capt Hitchcock doe appoint the time to Examine s^d accounts.

Voted that the Runing of the Line between this Town & Brimfield & this Town & the Equivalent Land be Entered on Record viz the Line Run by m^r Chandler & those that were Assisting to him therein.

Voted that Lieutt Joseph Stebbins & Leutt John Fere and Samuel Ely be a Committee for to Consider & propose Some Conveniant way for providing wood for the Schooles for this Town and to make Report thereof to the Next Town meeting.

Voted that there be money Drawn out of the Town Treasury to be Improved toward Building the Court House.

Voted there be Twenty Pounds Drawn out of the Town Treasury if it be there to be had and that it be Delivered to the Committe that were Chosen to Effect the Building or s^d Court house.

March 13: 1721-22 At the General Town Meeting for Election of Town officers. Luke Hitchcock esq^r was Chosen Modarator Pelatiah Bliss was chosen Town Clerk & Capt John Mirick Leutt John Fere Leutt Ephraim Colton John Worthinton & Inceas Sikes were Chosen Select men: John Chapin John Mirick Jur Pelatiah Morgan Ebenezer Lenord Sen^r Joseph Cooley 2^d were Chosen Constabels Joseph Cooley 2^d was Chosen and accepted In Eben^r Bliss Sen^r

Roome or place s^d Bliss was first Chosen to s^d office: & Leutt Fere Leutt John Day & Leutt Joseph Cooley were Chosen Assessors: Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Town Treasurer: John Herman Danel Parsons Josia Lenord Samuel Day Sen^r Thomas Colton Jun^r David Chapen were Chosen Tything men: Deacon Nathanel Burt James Dorchester Jun^r James Warriners 3^d Jonathan Taylor Nathanel Dombelton John Fowler [III—315.] & Henry Wright Sen^r & Samuel Cooley were chosen Surveighers of highwayes: and there was Chosen for Fence veivers Deacon Ebenezer Parsons Samuel Ely Isaac Frost Jonathan Ball Ju^r John Bagg Ebenezer Ashley Thomas Mirick Sen^r & John Glover John Colton Ju^r John Bliss Thomas Chapen Sen^r & Thomas Tery Sen^r & it was also voted that the Fence veivers be also Feild Drivers: Voted also that Deacon Nathanel Burt Samuel Ely & Henry Burt be Measurers for Land: Increase Sikes was Chosen Sealer of Lether: and votes were Caried In for County Treasurer: and John Crofoot Jun^r John Miller 4th o^r Smith: & Benjamin Dorchester Ebenezer Bliss Jun^r & James Taylor Henry Rogers Ju^r Jonathan Worthinton & Nathanel Bancraft were Chosen Hogg Reves Nathanel Bancraft was Chosen & accepted in Jonathan Worthintons place or Roome Voted also that Joseph Ashley & Ensign Nathanel Sikes be Surveigher of Board and Shingels.

April 6th: 1722 At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Moderator. Voted that there be liberty for Swine to Go at Large within y^e Bounds of this Town for this present year provided they be yoked & Ringed as Law Directs. Also it was voted that the Select men doe take Care to obtaine a Cuer for Thomas Crofoot & that it be at the Cost & Charge of the Town: Voted also that the Selectmen doe take Effectual Care for the Relif of Sarah Hermon & also that they doe take Care of her Estate If she hath any that So it may be Improved for her Support & Relife: Voted that Capt Luke Hitchcock be one of the Committe for the Precinct of Longmedow to se to the Modelling and ordering those Lands that were

Granted to them in Answer to their Petition for s^d Grant See Page 277.

Voted that Henry Woolcutt be Hogg reve for the Precinct of Longmedow: & whereas the act for Regulating Swine hath made provision that those that are chosen Hogg reves Shall at Least once Every fortnight pas through their precinct to prosecute their office: the voters at this meeting did vote as following Voted that on the East side the Great River the two Chickuppes & Skipmuck be one Precinct Voted also that from Samuel Lambs to the Bounds of Longmeddow Precinct be a precinct: Voted also the Precinct of Longmeddow be an other Precinct & on the West side the Great River all on the South side Agawam within the Bounds Between us & Suffield & this town Bounds & Westfield be one Precinct Voted also that all on the North side of Agawam be one Precinct.

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May 4th: 1722. Att a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield. Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Modarator Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Representative for the present year Voted that the Inhabitants of the East side the Great River have Liberty to Remove the Towns School house sumthing more Southward or Lower then it Now Standeth upon these Conditions (viz) 1st that It should not be Removed below the Casway: 2^d that the s^d persons that Remove s^d house shall doe it upon there own Charge. 3^d that the s^d house be forthwith Sufficiently Repaired and Left In as good Repaire as It now Standeth In on the Charge of the s^d Removers and that no Charge In the whole Concerne be Laid upon the Town.

Voted that Every one that sendeth Schollers to Schoole Shall Bring a Load of wood for Each scholer that they shall Send and that the wood shall be Brought to the School house by the middle of October and that no Scholler shall have any Bennifit of the Wood but only those that have a Right to or part of the wood until they Bring their proportion with the Rest and that the Select men Give Instructions unto the

Schoolemasters So to Doe this vote to Respect all the Schoole Respectively.

September 10: 1712. At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Qualified as Law Directs.

Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Modarator.

Voted that there be a Committe Chosen to Consider of & propose some method or way to Compose the Differences that have bin or may Arise about the Court House & to make Report of their proposalls to the Town: Voted that their be Ten in s^d Commite. Voted that Leutt Ephraim Colton Pelatiah Bliss Increas Sikes Capt John Mirick Leutt Joseph Cooley Samuell Day Deacon Joseph Ely Ensign John Miller Ensign James Mirick & Jonathan Worthinton be the s^d Committe, & then the meeting was Adjourned to the 2^d Munday in October Next Ensuing At one of the Clock In the afternoone being the 8th Day of s^d month and according to the Adjournment on s^d Day the Inhabitants above s^d Assembled together the Committe aforesaid Did present their Proposals to the Town which was as followeth: viz: that some part of Our Inward Commons be put under Good Regulation & be Exposed to Sale towards the Defreighing the Charge of Building s^d Court house viz: that So much be sold on the West Side the Great River as to Advance the Sum of Thirty Pounds and So much be sold on the East Side the Great River as to Advance the Sum of Sixty Pounds and that a Committe be Chosen to Regulate and Manage s^d matter to as Little Dammage as may be to the Inhabitants & If s^d Sumes of Thirty Pounds & Sixty Pounds be more then will be Needful to finish & Compleat s^d House with what is already Given & Granted toward s^d house that the overplush be paid Into the Town Treasury and If the s^d Sumes of Thirty and Sixty Pounds will not be Enough to finish and Compleat s^d [III—317.] House there be money Drawn out of the Town Treasury to Compleat and finish s^d House and that a meet Person be Chosen on the West side the Great River to Joyne with the Committe for Building and finishing s^d Court house: the Inhabitants aforesd takeing the

s^d Proposals Into Consideration and It was voted the s^d proposals of s^d Committe be accepted by the Town and It was voted that Deacon Ebenezer Parsons be one of the Comitte for Building and finishing s^d Court House.

December 3^d: 1722 At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield qualified as Law Directs.

Lieutt Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Modarator. the voters at this meeting did by their vote approve of the paying the Several particular Sums Layed before them In the account Given by the Selectmen: also It was voted that John Lamb be Allowed seven shillins & eleven pence on the account of Daniel Graves Rate: Voted also that Benjamin Chapen be allowed six shillins & sixpence on the account of Daniel Graves Rate: Voted that there be Eight pounds Granted to be Improved for the Relife of Thomas Crofoot according as the Select men shall think It Nesesary. Voted that Capt John Mirrick Leutt John Day & Thomas Horton have Three Pounds for Service Don for the Town viz: as Trustees & Letting out the Townes Money: Also It was voted that the s^d Trustees Doe Let out on Interest what money they have Received as Interest money in the Townes Behalfe.

March 1: 1722-3 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield qualified as Law Directs.

Thomas Horton was Chosen Modarator: Voted that there be money Drawn out of the Town Treasury In order to Prosicute the Breach of the Law on those that Shall Gett Turpintine within the Inward Commons: voted that there shall be a Committe Chosen to Prosicute the Law on those that shal Transgres the Law In Getting Turpentine within the Inward Commons: voted that John Burt: Ebenezer Warriner: Thomas Mirick Jun^r: Jonathan Chapin & Joseph Knowlton be the Committee to Prosicut the Law on those that shall Transgres the Law In Getting Tirpintine In the Inward Commons.

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March 12th: 1722-3 at the General Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfield Luke

Hitchcock Esq was Chosen Modarator: Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Town Clerk & Sworen Samuel Bliss 2^d Leutt Joseph Stebbins Leutt Ephraim Colton Samuel Day & Leutt John Day were Chosen Select men: Samuel Sikes Henry Chapin: Joseph Colton Joseph Barnard & Samuell Stebbins were Chosen Constabels: Leutt John Fere Samuel Day & Thomas Colton Ju^r were Chosen Assessors: Benjamin Smith Sen^r Benjamin Stebbins Gershom Fere Joseph Ashley Thomas Mirick Sen^r & John Cooley were Chosen Tything meen: Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Town Treasurer: William Stebbins Thomas Mirick Ju^r Ebenezer Morgan Tho: Terry Sen^r Danel Cooley Jun Samuel Fere Jonathan Bagg Benjamin Knolton were Chosen Surveighers of the Highways. Inceas Sikes was Chosen Sealer of Lether: Ensign Nathanel Sikes Ebenezer Day John Miller 2^d Ebenezer Wariner Joseph Lenord Nathanel Morgan Samuel Barker Benjamin Chapin Isaac Colton Jun^r Thomas Bliss 3^d Josiah Lenord Jonathan Chapin were Chosen Fence veivers & Feild Drivers: Voted that there be Hogg reeves Chosen & on further Consideration it was voted to Reconsider or Recall s^d vote Respecting the Choosing Hogg reeves.

March 21: 1722-23 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Luke Hitchcock Esq was Chosen Modarator Voted to Release Thomas Mirick Sen^r from the office of a Tything man voted that Ebenezer Colton David Chapin Obadiah Cooley Senior Jonathan Pall Jun^r Benjamin Parsons & John Glover be Hoggreeves voted that there be Liberty for Swine to Go at Large being yoaked & Ringed according to Law: Voted that the Select men have Power to Draw Money out of the Town Treasury as there may be Necessity for the Towns use. Voted that Joseph Barnards Money payed to Joseph Coltons acceptance be accepted by the Town as If s^d Joseph Barnard had Served as Constabel: Whereas there is a Soposed Highway Twenty rod wide at the West End of the 80 rod Lotts on the West side of the Great River it was voted by the proprietors to take of Ten Rod and a halfe wide and forty Rod Long on the Easterly side of s^d

Highway being where Christian Vanhorn Lives & it was voted & Granted by the s^d Proprietors that Christian Vanhorn Shall have the s^d tract of Land of forty Rod Long and Ten Rod and halfe wide Provided that he s^d Christian Give a Lawfull Convaience of the Same quantitie of Land to the Reverend m^r Hopkins according to the Determination [III—319.] of the Committe for Disposing of the Proprietors Land: the s^d Land to Ly or be on the Easterly side of his s^d Christian Vanhorns home Lott it is now voted that the Town will Indemnify Christian Vanhorn in his Title to the Land he hath of the Proprietors according to the Conditions Before mentioned In the Grant made by the Proprietors to Christian Vanhorn.

May 3: 1723 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Springfield quallified as Law Directs

Leutt Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Modarator: John Pynchon Esqier was Chosen Representative for this Town at the Genll Court for to Represent them In their Sessions of the Great & Generall Court & then the meeting Adjourned to the 10th Day of may Currant at 3 of the Clock In the afternoon to Receive answer from s^d John Pynchon Esq Respecting his acceptance of s^d Office or Trust.

December 12th: 1723: At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Leutt Joseph Stebbins was Chosen Modarator: the voters at this meeting did approve of the Payeing the several particular Sumes that were Laide before them by the modarator & which were Set In the List of Town Debts Given by the Select men: voted that Capt Luke Hitchcock have one Pound & five shillins for Service as Town Treasurer In the year 1722: voted that Samuell Day Leutt Ephraim Colton & Thomas Horton be a Committe to Examine the Town Treasurer accounts and also to Examine the accounts of the Committe for Building the Court house voted that Capt John Mirick Leutt John Day & Thomas Horton have Each of them Twenty five shillins for their Service In takinge In the Interest of the Bank Money: Voted that

Capt Luke Hitchcock Leutt John Fere & Samuel Day have Each of them Three Shillins for Service as a Committe to Examine the Town Treasurer account viz Capt John Mirrick when he was Treasurer.

January 6th: 1723-4 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Modarator: voted that Lieutt John Fere & Samuel Bliss 2^d Joyne with the former Committee (viz Samuell Day Thomas Horton & Leutt Ephraim Colton) to Examine the Town Treasurer accounts & make Report thereof to the Town: Voted that any Three of them act In that affaire voted that the Selectmen doe from Time to Time agree with Som person to Sweep & Keep Clean the Court House & then the [III—320.] Meeting was adjoined to the 7th of January Currant at Twelve of the Clock: & on the 7th of January: 1723-4 as afores^d the Inhabitants being assembled or met together there was Granted to Henry Chapin five shillins & five pence In Consideration of a Rate of John Gulliver Deceased which s^d Chapin was not Inabled to Recover: it was voted that the Selectmen be Impoured to Receive of Major John Pynchon the Bond that Tilly Mirick & David Ingersol Gave to the Selectmen: voted that If David Ingersol & Tilly Mirick doe not Pay to the Selectmen what Interest money is Due to the Town from s^d Ingersol & s^d Mirick the first day of July 1723-4 that then the Selectmen Doe Sue out s^d Ingersol & s^d Miricks Bond: voted that Lieutt Ephraim Colton Samuell Day & Thomas Horton have Each of them five Shillins for the service as a Comitte In Examineing the Treasurer accounts and the accounts of the Comitte for the Building the Court house: voted that the Report of the Committe viz Samuell Day Lieutt Ephraim Colton & Thomas Horton Respecting the Committe of the Court House be accepted.

March 10th: 1723-4 At the General Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfield Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Modarator. Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Town Clerk & Sworen. Leut John Fere & Leut James Warriner Samuel Bliss 2^d Ensign Nathanel Sikes & In-

creas Sikes were Chosen Selectmen: William Warriner & John Fere Ju^r Henry Rogers Ju^r William Scot & Joseph Cooley 2^d were Chosen Constables: Deacon Ebenezer Parsons & Inceas Sikes were Chosen Sealer of Leather: Lieut John Fere & Leuitt Ephraim Colton & Leiuitt John Day were Chosen Assessors: Ebenezer Warriner & Thomas Stebbins Jonathan Chapin Nathaniel Dombleton John Rimington James Mirick Jun^r Ensign Thomas Colton & Thomas Mirick Jun^r were Chosen Surveighers of High Wayes: Ensign Samuel Keep & Ensign John Worthington John Harmon & John Lenord were Chosen Tything Men Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Town Treasurer: Deacon Jonathan Ely David Burt Sen^r & Ensign John Hitchcock John Lamb Thomas Tery Sen^r Thomas Chapin Ju^r Ensign James Mirick John Ely John Fowler Daniel Cooley Ju^r Charles Fere & Benjamin Ashley were Chosen Fence Viewers & Field Drivers: Benjamin Knolton & Ebenezer Cooke Jonathan Chapin William Colton Isaac Frost & Joseph Ball were Chosen Hog-reeves: Votes were Given In for a County Treasurer. It was voted that William Scot who was Chosen Constabel agreeing with Henry Rogers Constabel to Do s^d Scots part as Constabel Shall be accepted as If s^d Scot had served In s^d office.

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March 30th: 1724 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Lieutt Ephraim Colton was Chosen modarator: ther is Granted Fourty Pounds In Money for the Procureing of Amanition for a Town Stock: & It is voted that the Town Do Receive of Joseph Williston Thirty Pounds & of John Hitchcock Ten Pounds of the Bank Money on Condition that the Town Do Relinquish the Interest of s^d money for halfe a year Past and It is voted that the s^d money be Improved for Proctureing a Town Stock of Amunition: It is voted that the Trustees Do Deliver the s^d money to the Town Treasurer: It is voted that there be Liberty for Swine to Goe at Large this year they being yoaked and Ringed according to Law.

May 8th: 1724 at a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Lawfully quallified & Assembled together Leiutt Joseph Cooley was Chosen Modarator.

M^r William Pynchon was made Choice of to be Representative to attend the Sessions of the General Court for the present year It is voted that the Assessors doe Assess the Inhabitants the Sume of Fourty & Seven Pounds Ten Shillins & Eleven pence to Dfray the Cost & Charges of Building the Court House

Decemb^r 22^d: 1724: At a Lawfull Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield quallified according to Law Leutt Ephraim Colton was Chosen Modarator: the account of Town Debts that were Given In by the Selectmen were allowed of & Granted: there is Granted to Samuel Stebbins Two Shillins & six pence on the account of Abraham Elgers Rate: there is Granted to John Morgan Nine Shillins & thre pence on the account of Joseph Touslys Rates: Voted that the Present Select Men Doe Examine the Town Treasurers accounts and make Report thereof at the Generall Town meeting In March Next Ensuing: there is Granted Ten pounds for the Releife of Thomas Crofoot & voted that the Select men doe take Care that it be Disposed of for the s^d Crofoots Benefit: there is Granted Fourty Shillins for the Schoole at the Lower Chickuppe: there is Granted Five Pounds for the Releife of Thomas Jones [III—322.] there is Granted to Capt John Mirick & Thomas Horton & Lieutt John Day Twenty five Shillins a Pease for Service Done by them for the Town: viz In Takeing In and Leting out the Interest of the Bank Money.

January 28th: 1724-5 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield quified as Law Directs. Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Modarator.

It is voted that the Town Rates as it is now made be not accepted: It is voted that the Assessors do not Assess the Inhabitants the Sum of fourty Seven Poundes which was Granted to Defray the Cost and Charges of Building the Court house:

It was voted to allow or Grant the Heires of Benjamin Leonard Deceased the Sum of ffiteen Shillins for the Service of s^d Lenords Bull: there is Granted to Benjamin Beamon Twenty five Shillins for the Service of s^d Beamons Bull: It was voted to allow to Daniel Parsons Nineteen Shillins and Thre pence In Consideration of Thomas Lees Rates: the s^d Daniel Parsons promising to Returne the s^d Sumes to the Town If he s^d Parsons Doth Recover the s^d Sumes of him s^d Lee.

March 9th: 1724-5 At a Generall Town meeting for Election of Town Officers: Luke Hitchcock Esqr was Chosen modarator. Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Town Clerk and was sworn to s^d office. Capt Luke Hitchcock & Leutt John Fere Leutt Ephraim Colton Samuel Bliss 2^d & Joseph Williston were Chosen Select Men: David Chapin & William Colton James Dorchester Jun^r John Fowler and Nathanel Lenord were Chosen Constabel: Joseph Parsons Sen^r and Luke Hitchcock 3^d David Burt Sen^r & Frances Ball were Chosen Tithingmen: Deacon Ebenez Parsons and Inceas Sikes Sn^r were Chosen Selaer of Lether: Lieutt John Fere & Lieutt Joseph Cooley & Samuel Day were Chosen Assessors Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Town Treasurer Ensign Nathaniel Sikes & Eliakim Cooley John Mirick Jun^r Pelatiah Glover Ju^r Thomas Tery Sen^r & Samuel Ely Junr Nathaniel Sikes Ju^r Daniel Cooley Ju^r were Chosen Surveighers of Highwayes: Ebenezer Day Sen^r & Samuel Ball Ebenezer Lenord Sen^r Joseph Bedortha Jun^r Joseph Barker & Joseph Williston Ju^r William Cooley & David Burt Ju^r were Chosen Fence Veivers and Feild drivers: Thomas Tery Ju^r Ebenz Warner & Ephraim Bartlet [III—323.] and Thomas Hail Isaac Frost and James Taylor Samuel Fere & Joseph Wright Sen^r were Chosen Hog-reeves.

May 10th: 1725: At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Springfield quallified as Law Directs: Luke Hitchcock Esqr was Chosen Modarator: it is voted that there be Liberty this year for Swine to Goe at Large within the Bounds of this Town they being yoaked

and Ringed according to Law: voted that there be five Pounds Raised for the procureing & Careing on of a Schoole for the Inhabitants of Agawam: the s^d money to be Raised at the Later End of the Year viz the usial time of Raising Town Charge:

Lieutt William Pynchon was Chosen Representative.

December 30th: 1725 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Quallified as Law Directs Samuel Bliss 2^d was Chosen Modarator. at this meeting the voters Granted the Several Particulars Read to them by the modarators: what the Several Particulars are may more fully apear by s^d List or account: and there is also Granted Fiveteen Pounds for the keeping of A Schoole at Longmedow: And there is Granted Twenty Pound for the keeping a Schoole on the West side of the Great River on the North Side of Agawam: there is Granted Five Pound for the Support of a Schoole on the South side of Agawam: In answer to the Petition of Joseph Crowfoot for keeping his brother Thomas Crowfoot there Is Granted Ten Pounds.

May 3^d: 1726: At a Lawfull Town meeting of the freholders & other Inhabitants of Springfield. Luke Hitchcock Esqr was Chosen Modeartor. It is voted that the Trustees Chosen by the Town for Receving and Leting out the Towns Proportion of the Bank money do on or Before the first Day of June next Ensueing the date aforesaid Pay Into the Treasurer of this (Se Next Page y^e Lower Part of y^e Leafe) Province one fifth Part of s^d Towns Proportion of s^d money. It is voted that the Trustees Do Let out the Interest money the Next year. At this meeting Samuel Day was Chosen Representative for the next Great and General Court or Assembly at Boston.

It is voted that If Jonathan Bagg Set up & Leave a Good Sufficient Fence on or about the Town Land at Chickuppe with Good White Oake Posts and Thre Railes & Schouer up [III—325.] The Dich where it doth want: that on the Doeing of which the Town will Deliver up the Bond which was Given by Joseph Barker & Oliver Barker on the account of

the Rent of s^d Land: the Lease of s^d Land being out Next April: and also provided y^e s^d Jonathan Bagg Paying Twelve Pounds for this Present Years Rent to the Town.

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March 9th: 1725-6 At the General Town meeting for Election of Town officers for the Town of Springfield Luke Hitchcock Esq^r was Chosen Modarator.

Lieutt James Warriner Ser^t John Bagg Ensign John Hitchcock & Joseph Williston & Deacon Henry Burt were Chosen Select men Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Town Clerk & was sworn to s^d office John White & John Miller Son of Ensign John Miller & Pelatiah Glover Ju^r Ensign Nathaniel Sikes & William Stebbins were Chosen Constables Ebenezer Warner was Chosen Constabel & Ensign Nathll was accepted and Chosen In his Place or Stead.

Thomas Bliss 2^d & John Morgan John Lamb & Nathaniel Dumbleton were Chosen Tythin Men. Deacon Ebenezer Parsons & Inceas Sikes were Chosen Sealers of Leather: Lieutt Ephraim Colton Lieutt John Fere & Samuel Ely Ser^t were Chosen Assessors: Capt Luke Hitchcock was Chosen Town Treasurer: John Cooley Obediah Cooley & Ebenezer Hitchcock Benjamin Chapin Frances Ball and Nathaniel Sikes Ju^r Jonathan Taylor & Nathaniel Bancroft were Chosen Surveighers of High wayes: Samuel Mirick Jonathan Ball Ju^r Samuel Day Ju^r Christian Vonhorn Ensign Nathaniel Sikes Benjamin Morgan & Jonathan Cooley Thomas Bliss 3^d John Chapin & Joseph Crofoot Samuel Barker & Samuel Morgan were Chosen Fence veiwers & Feild Drivers: votes were given In for a Register for the County: Votes were Given In for County Treasurer.

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October 31: 1726 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield Thomas Horton was Chosen Modarator at this meeting a Petion of the Committe of Longmedow Precinct that the Town would Order them a Schoole persewant to a voate of the Town passed many years since It being Read and the Question was Put whether the Petition shall be granted and it Passed in the Negative.

December 2^d: 1726 At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Springfield. Samuel Bliss 2^d was Chosen Moderator at this meeting the voters Granted Payment to be made out of the Town Treasury for the Several particulars Read to them by the Moderator which was Set or Entered in a List Given In by the Select Men and then the meeting was Adjourned till Monday the 12th Day of December Currant at Ten of the Clock in the fore noon and accordingly on the s^d 12th Day the s^d modarator Adjourned the s^d meeting till the Next Monday at Ten of the Clock In the fore noone It being the 19th Day of December Currant and accordingly at a Lawfull Town meeting Continued by Several Adjournments to Monday the 19th of December 1726 and then the voters Granted that the Assessors should Assess the Inhabitants and Estates within this Town the following Sumes that were Granted viz Twenty five Pounds for the Gramer Schoole and Twenty Pounds for to Defray the Charge of a Representative and Thirty Pound for Carieing on a Schoole on the West Side of the Great River and Ten Pounds for a Schoole at Long medow Precinct and Eight Pound for a Schoole at Agwam [III—326.] and there is Granted two pound Ten Shillings for a school at Skipmuck and In answer to a Petition of the uper Chickuppe signed John Chapin and David Chapin there is Granted Five Pound to Cary on a School there and there is Granted Thirty thre Pound Eight Shillings & Ten pence to Defray the Charge of Sundry Particulars Contained in a List of Town Debts Due from s^d Town (Se Dec: 2^d which List was Given in by the Selectmen) also It is voted that the Removing the Seats & Inlargeing the Seat for the Judges to Sit on In the Court house be Don and Effected at the Cost and Charge of the Town and it is voted that Lieutt James Warriner and Thomas Mirrick Sen^r be a Committe to Effect s^d worke.

There is Granted to David Chapen five shillings and two pence In Consideration of Ebenezer Webs Rate y^e which s^d Chapin saith he hath not been Enabled to Recover of s^d Web.

January 31: 1726-7 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the

freeholders and other Inhabitants of Springfield qualified according to Law m^r Samuel Day was Chosen Modarator.

M^r Joseph Dwight was Chosen Town Treasurer for the Remainder of this present year: Frances Ball was Chosen Constabel for the Remainder of this present year: It is voted that the Ferry at the upper wharfe be Let out for five Years: on the Desire of M^r John Huggins Dated January 31; 1726-7 viz that the Town would Grant him the Ferry and the whole Priviledge thereof at the place Caled the upper wharfe at the Great River being the Common place for the Ferry in Springfield for the Space of five years and he will Give them Sixty shillings for the Same yearly Every year for the whole Time and Give sufficient Bond for keeping s^d Ferry wel the whole Time and to begin within Twenty Dayes from this Date or Time and to Give Bond within Twenty Dayes to the Town Treasurer and his Suckcessor the which Bond is to be of the Sum of one hundred pounds: at this meeting the s^d Desire of the s^d M^r John Huggins is Granted: In answer to the Desire of John Worthinton Dated January 31; 1726-7: viz that the Town would Give him his Note which he Gave for Three pounds Six Shillings and Eight pence the Desire of the s^d John Worthinton is now Granted.

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March 14th: 1726-7 At the General Town meeting for Election of Town officers In Springfield Samuel Bliss 2^d was Chosen Modarator: Samuel Bliss 2^d Lieutt John Fere Lieut Ephraim Colton & Lieutt John Day and Ensign John Worthinton were Chosen Selectmen.

Pelataiah Bliss was Chosen Town Clerk.

Ebenezer Morgan Sen^r & Ebenezer Jones Jun^r Joseph Miller Thomas Mirick Jun^r & Jonathan Cooley were Chosen Constables Thomas Bliss 3^d & Thomas Stebbins Thomas Mirick Sen^r were Chosen Tything Men Deacon Ebenezer Parsons & Inceas Sikes were Chosen Sealers of Lether: Ensign Samuel Keep Lieutt John Fere & Samuel Ely were Chosen Assessors: William Stebbins was Chosen Constable and accepted In the Roome of Jonathan Cooly Robert Harris was Chosen Constable on the Refusal of Thomas mirick

Jun^r Refusing to Serve as Constable: Ensign Nathaniel Sikes was Chosen Constable In the Roome of Robert Harris Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Town Treasurer: votes were Given In for County Treasurer: the Surveighers of highways that were Chosen were John Hermon: Nathaniel Mun Jun^r Jonathan Chapin David Burt Jun^r Benjamin Stebbins Sen^r Jonathan Bagg Sen^r Ebenezer Parsons jun^r & Lamberton Cooper the Fence viewers that were Chosen were Thomas Terry Sen^r Japhet Chapin James Warriner 3^d John Stebbins Jun^r Thomas Colton Jun^r Nathaniel Bliss 2^d Samuel Ely Jun^r and Benjamin Ball Ebenezer Cool & Abel Leonard Sen^r and Serj^t John Bagg & Pelatiah Morgan Sen^r & It was voted that the Fence Veivers should be Feild Drivers: John Stebbins Sen^r & Joseph Mirrick & John Colton were Chosen Hogreves.

May 4th: 1727 At a Lawful Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Springfield quallified according to Law Lieutt Ephraim Colton was Chosen Moderator: Mr Samuel Day was Chosen Representative it is voted that Samuel Bliss 2^d Lieutt John Fere and Lieutt James Warriner and Samuel Ely be a Committe to make up accounts with m^r Joseph Dwight the former Town Treasurer and also to make up accounts with the Executors of Capt Luke Hitchcock Deceased: who hath Bin Town Treasurer

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In answer to the Petition of the Precinct of Longmedow viz that the Town would appoint a Committe man In the Roome of Luke Hitchcock Deceased for the Layeing out or modling the Home Lots on the Hill Eastward of the Longmedow & to Impower the s^d Committe man with the Same power the former Committe man aforesaide Luke Hitchcock Esq^r had at this Town meeting Deacon Henry Burt was Chosen a Committe Man according to the s^d Petition.

June 9th: 1727. at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield quallified according to Law Leuitt John Day was Chosen Modarator.

Thomas Mirick 2^d was Chosen Constable in the Roome of Constable Sikes Lately Deceased: at this meeting the Com-

mitte that was appointed to make up accompts with the former Treasurers: viz the Heires or Executors of Capt Luke Hitchcock Deceased & also with M^r Joseph Dwight: their Return or Report being Read It was voted that It should be accepted and allowed: at this meeting ther was Granted Ten Pounds to the support of y^e Schoole at Longmedow which is to be paid out of the Rate to be made at the Later End of the year at this meeting Lieutt John Fere & Joseph Williston and M^r Joseph Dwight were Chosen a Committe to make up accompts with the Town Treasurer for this present year that so the Town may the better know what money to Grant.

June 30th: 1727 at a Lawfull Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield quallified as the Law Directs: Ensign John Worthington was Chosen Modarator.

James Warriner 2^d was chosen Constable for the Remainder of this present year: it is voted the money be Called In which is Due to the Town by the Bond from m^r Tilly Mirick and M^r Thomas Ingersol.

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November 10th: 1727 At a Lawfull Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Springfield quallified as the Law Directs: Lieutt Ephraim Colton was Chosen Modarator: M^r Samuel Day was Chosen Representative: it is voted that Joseph Williston & Samuel Bliss 2^d & Ensign John Worthington be a Committe to Set a Price upon the Groath Product & manufacture of the Town how the Constables Shall Give the Inhabitants for Every Species in their payeing the Province Tax and they the s^d Committe are to make Report thereof to the next Town meeting.

January 2^d: 1727-8 At a Lawful Town meeting of the Inhabitants of Springfield quallified as the Law directs. Lieutt John Day was Chosen Moderator: at this meeting the voters Granted that payment Should be made out of the Towns Treasury for the following particulars & Sunes. There is Granted to David Mirick for Twelve dayes worke at the Court House att 5^s a day. Three pound also there is Granted to David Mirick five Day worke at s^d House by Beriah Sherman

3 & 6 a day Nineteen Shillins & 3^d: there is Granted to Deacon Henry Burt Seven Shillins & 2 pence It being for work done by him for Sarah Hermon & for his mending the Schoolehouse. There is Granted to Eliakim Cooley for one Bull Two pounds: There is Granted to Nathaniel Burt Jun^r & David Burt Junier for one Bull Two pounds: also there is Granted to Daneil Parsons for one Bull one year & 1-4 Two pound & five Shillins ther is Granted to the Executors of Capt Luke Hitchcock Desesd for one Bull Two pounds: There is Granted to John Fere Jun^r for one Bull one pound five Shillins & There is Granted to Thomas Horton for one Bull Two pounds: there Is also Granted to Deacon Nathaniel Mun for one Bull Two pounds: there is Granted to Joseph Leonard for one Bull one Pound & ten Shillins: There is Granted to Nathanel Leonard & Ebenezer Leonard for one Bull one pound ffifteen Shillings there is Granted to Deacon Ebenezer Parsons for one Bull one Pound ffifteen Shillings: there is Granted to Deacon Ebenezer Parsons for one lings: There is Granted to Samuel Ball for [III—330.] one Bull one Pound ffifteen Shillings: there is Granted to Joseph Ely Junier for one Bull one pound five Shillinds There is Granted to John Day Jun^r for Returning the Precept Six Shillings: there is Granted to Henry Chapin for one Bull one Pound ten Shillings: there is Granted Thirty pound for the Schoole on the West side of the Great River: there is Granted for a Schoole at Longmedow Twenty five pounds twelve Pounds ten Shillings to be Raised this year and twelve pound ten shillings the next Winter Ensueing: there is Granted Four pounds ten shillings for a Schoole at the uper Chickuppe: there is Granted to the Assessors for their takeing the valiation List & making the Country Rate viz to Samuel Keep Three pound & thre Shillings & to Samuel Ely Three pound & thre Shillings & to Leuitt John Fere Three pounds & twelve Shillings: there is Granted to Jonathan Chapin for one Bull one pound & ten Shillings: there is Granted to Thomas Colton Jun^r for Draining the Town Land two pound nine Shillings and four

pence: there is Granted to Ebenezer Miller for one Bull one pound ten Shilling: there is Granted to Deacon Nath^l Burt for mending the Pound two Shillings: there is Granted to Widow Deborah Gerralls for tending and Medison for a Child of Cornealus Web Four pound and for what she did for Benjamin Beamon twelve Shillings: there is Granted Ten Pounds for the Relief of Widow Maccraney & hir Son that is Lane ther is Granted to Samuel Chapin Jun^r for 2 Bulls one Pound: there is Granted to the Administrators of Ensign Nathaniel Sikes for a Bull one pound ten Shillings: there is Granted to Widow Martha Fere for a Bull fifteen Shillings: there is Granted for a Schoole at the Lower Chickuppe Three pounds: there is Granted to Henry Rogers the Interest money that he paid It being two pound thre Shillings & nine pence: in answer to the petition of Nathaniel Burt & Jonathan Ely & William Stebbins viz: for Repaireing of the Schoole house at Longmedow there is Granted one Pound Eight Shillings & nine pence: it is voted that the Graine that the Constables Shall Receive for the Province Tax Shall be one Shilling & sixpence Pr Bushell Less then the Price the Law Stateth it at: It being for the Transportation thereof: at this meeting the Memorial of Lieutt William Pynchon being presented to the Town: it was voted that Ensign James Mirick m^r John Huggins & Luke Hitchcock 2^d be a Committe to take the same Into Consideration & make Report to the Town what they think proper for the Town [III—331.] To Doe In answer thereunto: upon the desire of Nathaniel Mun: & John Hitchcock Joseph Stebbins Samuel Warner Thomas Stebbins Luke Hitchcock 2^d Ebenezer Hitchcock Ebenezer Morgan John Hitchcock Jun^r & John Stebbins Jun^r viz that the Town would Grant them Liberty for the Erecting and Setting up a House for their Horses at the South West End of the meeting House in the Town Plat: it is voted that their Desire be Granted: and then the meeting was adjourned to the 16th day of January Currant at Twelve of the Clock at noone and accordingly on s^d Day the Inhabitants being Assembled to gether it was voted to Give Henry

Wright Sen^r a Compensation for the Land taken from him a Highway & that the Compensation be according to the value that the Jury appointed by the Court did Return Respecting the s^d Land: there is Granted to James Warriner Jun^r Twelve Shillings It being for boords he found for the Court house: there is Granted to Ebenezer Warriner Eleven Shillings It being for Boords for the Court house: there is Granted to David Ingersol Eighteen Shillings It being for Sundrys as more fully appears Pr the acompt: there is Granted to Ephraim Stills for Ringing the Nine a Clock Bell & for Ringing for other meetings the Sum of Two pound fifteen Shillings: there is Granted to the Town Treasurer for his Serviss the Sum of Two pounds: there is Granted to Lieutt James Warriner five Shillings it being for an hundred of Boord for the Courthouse: there is Granted to William Warriner two shillings & sixpence it being for 48 foot of Slit-work for the Court house: there is Granted Four pound for the making or Repaireing the Pound on the East side the Great River In the Town plat: it is voted that Joseph Williston & Daniel Parsons & Obadiah Cooley be a Committe to take Care to Effect the makeing or Repaireing s^d Pound according as Shal be most for the advantage of the Town: there is Granted to Thomas Mirick Sen^r for One Hundred of Plank for the Court house the Sum of Eight Shillings: there is Granted to Samuel Killborn for Brads two shillings: on the question put whether the Town will Grant to Thomas Horton Lieutt John Day & Capt John Mirick Each of them Four pound for their Serving as a Conmitte of the Town Bank it being for their Last years service & whether the s^d money Shall be paid out of the Interest money of the s^d Bank It was voted & Concluded In the affirmative: at this meeting was Presented the desire of John Chapin Benjamin Chapin Samuel Chapin Jun^r Thomas Horton David Chapin Jonathan Chapin & Henry Chapin: viz that the Town would Grant them Liberty to Set up a Horse House on the North Side of the Lane near the meeting House on the East side of the Great River in the [III—332.] Town Plat it was voted

that the s^d Desire should be Granted at this meeting It was voted the Assessors do Asses the Inhabitants on their Poles & Estates Reall and Personal the Sum of one Hundred and six pound Eleven shillings and Eight pence to Defray the Cost & Charges arising with In s^d Towne according to the Grants made for the same.

[In the handwriting of William Pynchon.]

Att a General Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield, Quallified, and assembled according to Law, on the Twelfth day of March Anno: Dom: 1727-8 For the Choice and Election of Town officers In the said Town for the year Ensuing: And also to Consider and Settle the Ferry at Agawam.

Mr Samuel Day was Chosen Moderator.

Mr William Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Clerk.

Mr Sammel Bliss, Mr Ebenezer Warriner, L^t Ephraim Colton, Cap^t John Day, and L^t John Ferry were Chosen Selectmen.

John Lamb, Samuel Sikes, John Chapen, John Morgan, Cap^t George Colton, Thomas Millar Sen^r, Benjamin Smith Sen^r, Benjamin Jones and Josiah Leonard, Were Chosen Surveyors of Highwayes.

John Hitchcock Sen^r Ephraim Bartlet, Nathal Burt Jun^r John Bagg Sen^r & Ebenezer Cooke were Chosen Tythingmen.

Joseph Barnard, John Ely, Joseph Colton, John White, Samuel Barker, Miles Morgan, Luke Hitchcock Jun^r Joseph Wilistone Sen^r John Cooley, W^m Colton, Benjamin Chapen and Samuel Chapen Sen^r were Chosen Fence viewers.

Thomas Glover, Ebenezer Colton, Benjamin Parsons, Samuel Morgan, & Pelatiah Hitchcock were Chosen Constables.

Ebenezer Parsons Sen^r and Increase Sikes Sen^r were Chosen Sealers of Leather.

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John Ferry, John Ely & Samuel Keep were Chosen Assessors.

Henry Burt was chosen Treasurer.

John Sikes, John Hancox, Samuel Stebbins, Thomas Colton Jun^r Caleb Chapen Samuel Terry, James Taylor Ebenezer Leonard Sen^r and Benjamin Ball were Chosen Hogg Reaves.

With Reference to the s^d Ferry at Agawam the following vote was voted: (viz) Voted that there be a Ferry Settled at the Mouth of Agawam River, To Cross both the Great River, and said Agawam River, and that the Present Selectmen be appointed to agree with and Settle a ferryman for that Purpose.

Att a Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law, for the Chooseing one or more Persons to Represent the Town in the Great and General Court or Assembly to be kept at Boston for his Majesties Service upon the Twenty Ninth day of May Currant. And also to Choose Trustees (if they see meet) to take Care of the Towns Proportion of the Sixty thousand Pounds Granted by the General Court as also to Consider whether the town will allow Swine to go at Liberty upon the Comons when they are according to Regulations in the law provided, also to Resolve whether they will accept of the Sureties that have given bond for the money that belongs to the Poor of the Town; and also to Choose a Committee to make up acc^{ts} with the former Treasurer, and also to Choose a Committee to make up acc^{ts} with the Present Treasurer before the Granting the Town Charge; And also to Consider whither the Town will buy a Toomb Stone for the French man Deceased that bestowed the money on the Poor of the Town and act as they shall think meet, on the Seventh day of May Annoque Domini: 1728.

Capt John Day was Chosen Moderator.

Mr Samuel Day was Chosen Representative.

Mr John Burt Mr John Worthenton and Mr John Ely were Chosen Trustees For the Said Town, To Receive and let out the s^d Towns Proportion of the £60,000 In Bills of [III—334.] Credit granted by a Late act of the General Court or assembly of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay.

Voted that Swine May Goe at large upon the Commons when they are yoked and Ringed according to law.

Voted that the Security that was given by Thomas Ingersoll, and David Ingersoll for the money that belongs to the Poor of the Town, be accepted.

Voted that the Present Selectmen or any three of them be a Committee to make up acc^{ts} with the former Treasurer Mr Pelatiah Bliss, and with the Present Treasurer Before the Town meeting for the Granting Town Taxes.

Voted that the Selectmen Gett a good Handsome Toomb Stone, or Grave Stone and Sett up at the Grave of John Mal-liford Deceased, being the man that gave the money to the Poor of the Town.

Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town.

Att a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Spring-field Quallified and assembled according to Law. To Give Instructions unto the Trustees Chosen and appointed by the Said Town to take Care of the Towns Proportion of the Sixty thousand Pounds granted by the Generall Court, and to Give the Trustees order how they shall Dispose of the s^d money, on the Twenty-fourth Day of May Annoque Domini: 1728.

Mr William Pynchon Sen^r was Chosen Moderator.

Voted that the Trustees for the s^d Town for Receiving and letting out the said Towns Proportion of the £60,000, In bills of Cred^t Granted by a late Act of the General Court, (viz) Mr John Worthenton Mr John Ely and Mr John Burt, Shall let out the Same upon Personal Security, and that they shall [III—335.] Not Let out of the Said Bills to any Particular Person Exceeding the sum of Thirty Pounds, nor under the Sum of Ten Pounds. And that all the bonds the s^d Trustees Shall take from any Particular Person or Persons, that shall hire the s^d bills shall be made Payable within twelve Months from y^e date of the s^d bonds Twas also voted that the s^d Trustees Shall Pay to Capt George Colton the Sum Thirty Shillings out of the s^d Towns Proportion of the s^d Bills for his Charge and trouble in bringing the Same from the Province

treasurer upon his delivering y^e same to them. And also that the s^d Trustees shall Pay the Interest of the s^d towns Proportion of the s^d £60,000 of the s^d Bills thereof to the Province Treasurer (viz) four Pound 4 Cent thereof to the Province Treasurer and Two Pound Pr Cent to the Treasurer of the s^d Town for the use of the s^d Town from year to year Conformable to the Said Act of the General Court.

It was also voted that the s^d Trustees Shall not let out the s^d Towns Proportion of the s^d bills to any Particular Person or Persons without a good Sufficient Surety besides the Principle.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled according to Law, at Springfield on the Eighth day of November Annoque Domini: 1728. To Consider and Grant what money may be thought needfull for the Defraying the Town Charge and for the use of the Town, and also to hear and Receive the Town Treasurers Accompts and to act upon it, Also to Determine on the matter Relating to Ensign John Millars Broaken Legged mare to Hear the Petition of Joseph Remington Respecting His Sons Schooling and act upon it, And also to Take Effectual Care that there may be Sufficient Pounds made and Kept in the Town, And also to Hear y^e letter of Mr Sam^l Day our Representative and to act upon it according as the Town Shall Think Best And Whereas there is a Highway through y^e Land of y^e Elys and Crannys at y^e Place Called Ireland that y^e Town Would Change it or Remove it or what y^e Town Shall think Best, And also to [III—336.] answer The Desire of the Rev^d Mr Stephen Williams in Giving Him a Quitt Claim of that Piece of Land at y^e Lower End of Longmeadow Called the Commons.

Capt John Day Chosen moderator for this meeting.

Voted that there be allowed and Paid out of the Town Treasury To Robert Harris the Sum of three Shillings and four Pence for freight of Town Stock of Ammunition.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e s^d Town Treasury to W^m Pynchon Jun^r the Sum of Two Pound thirteen shillings for three Records Books for y^e Town.

Voted that there be allowed and Paid out of the Town Treasury to y^e Present assessors for there Service as Assessors for the Town this year (viz) To Sam^l Keep Six Shillings To John Ely Three Shillings. To John Fere for s^d Service and for Paper Thirteen Shillings and Nine Pence.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to Jonathan Chapen for the use of his Bull this year the Sum of one Pound Ten Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be paid out of the Town Treasury to Henry Wright Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year the Sum of Ten Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to Henry Chapen for the use of his Bull this year the Sum of one Pound fifteen shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury to John Ferry Jun^r for y^e use of his Bull for y^e year the Sum of fourty shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury To Frances Sikes for the use of His Bull this year the Sum of Fourty Shillings.

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Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to Joseph Ashley for y^e Use of his Bull this year the Sum of one Pound Ten Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury To Eliakim Cooley for the use of His Two Bulls this year the Sum of fourty Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury to Nathl Burt Jun^r and David Burt Jun^r for the use of there Bull this year y^e Sum of fourty Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury To Thomas Horton for the use of His Bull this year the Sum of fourty Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury To Joseph Parsons for the use of His Bull this year the Sum of Ten Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town

Treasury to Nath^l Burt Sen^r for the use of his Two Bulls this year the Sum of Fourty Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury To Ebenezer Jones Jun^r the Sum of one Pound Ten Shillings for y^e use of His Bull this year.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to the Widow Martha Ferry for the use of her Bull this year the Sum of fifteen Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of The Town Treasury to Nath^l Dumbleton for the use of his Bull this year the Sum of one Pound five Shillings.

Voated and allowed that there be paid out of The Town Treasury to Ebenezer Parsons Sen^r for the use of His Bull this year the Sum of fourty shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury to John Bagg for y^e use of His Bull this year the Sum of fourty shillings.

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Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury To Ebenezer Miller Sen^r for y^e use of his Bull this year the Sum of fourty Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be paid out of y^e Town Treasury to Ebene^r Leonard Sen^r y^e Sum of Twenty Shillings for y^e use of his Bull y^e s^d Year.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury to Joseph Leonard Sen^r y^e Sum of fourty Shillings for y^e use of his Bull this year.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury To Nath^l Mun Sen^r and John Hitchcock Sen^r for the use of there Bull this year the Sum of fourty Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury, to Thomas Stebbins y^e Sum of Six Shillings for his making an alphabet to y^e Proprietors Book of Records.

Voted and allowed That There be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury to Doctor John Leonard y^e Sum of twelve Shillings for Sundry visits and Directions to Sarah Stevenson Last Spring in Her Sickness.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid To John Day out of y^e Town Treasury the Sum of fifteen Shillings and two pence Thirteen Shillings and two Pence for Rhum used In Sarah Stevensons Sickness Last Spring At his Expence, and Two Shillings for mending y^e Pound on y^e West Side of the Great River.

Voted and allowed That There be Paid out of the Town Treasury Three Pounds for Dreining the Town Meadows To Thomas Stebbins.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to Henry Burt for his Service as Town Treasurer this year the Sum of fourty Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury for y^e Support of y^e Grammar School y^e Sum of fourty five Pounds.

Voated and allowed that there be Paid Out of the Town Treasury for the Support of y^e Schooll on the West side of the Great River the Sum of Thirty Pounds.

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Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury for y^e Support of y^e School at Longmeadow y^e Sum of twenty five Pounds.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury for y^e support of y^e School at y^e upper Chickuppe the Sum of four pounds Ten Shillings.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to Benjamin Ball the Sum of Three Pounds Eight Shillings and Eleven Pence Three Pounds Thereof allowed him for His Trouble and Tendance of Sarah Stephenson In Her Sickness at his house Last Spring, and y^e Remaind^r viz Eight Shillings and Eleven Pence for Druggs for her Sickness which he P^d for at Maj^r Pynchons.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury to Capt George Colton y^e Sum of fifteen Shillings for his Trouble in Bringing The Towns Proportion of the Last Bank from Boston.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of y^e Town

Treasury the Sum of fourty Pounds To be Employed for y^e Use of the Poor of y^e Town, for Contingent Charges and for Defraying the Charges for y^e Killing of Wild Catts.

Voted that there be allowed and Paid out of y^e Town Treasury the Sum of four Pounds, for the Repairing or New Building of Pounds in y^e Town.

Voted that the Present Treasurer of the Town Lend out of the said Town Treasury To Mr Sam^l Day the Present Representative of the said Town y^e Sum of Twenty Pounds.

Voted and allowed that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to the Present Selectmen of the s^d Town of Springfield the Sum of Three Shillings Each for There Trouble in making up of acc^{ts} with the Treasurer.

The Report of y^e Committee appointed by the Town to Take Into Consideration the Memorial of Mr W^m Pynchon Respecting a Mare of Ensign John Millard, that Broake Her Legg in his Service through the Defect of a Bridge at Paucattuck, being Present and Read at this meeting, the Substance of the s^d Report is as follows: [III—340.] They having Considered the s^d memorial think that y^e Town ought to allow y^e s^d W^m Pynchon fifteen pounds for the Damage he shall Sustain by the mares legg Being Broaken as aforesaid Voted that the s^d Report be accepted, and that there be allowed and Paid out of the s^d Town Treasury to y^e s^d W^m Pynchon y^e Sum of fifteen Pounds for the Damage by Him Sustained as aforesaid.

Voted that the Present assessors for the s^d Town assess the Inhabitants thereof as well there Polls as Estates the Sum of One Hundred Eighty three Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine Pence, and to make a Distinct List of Each Persons name and Proportion Thereof under there Hands whom they are to Committ unto the Constables of the s^d Town to Levy and Collect the same. And thatt the s^d Assessors in there warrants Directed to the Said Constable or Constables to whom they Commit the Said Assessments, for the Levying and Collecting y^e Same, Direct the s^d Constable or Constables to Pay In there said Collections to Henry Burt Treasurer for the s^d

Town or to His Successor in s^d office for y^d use of the Said Town according to y^e Grants for y^e Same.

In answer to the Petition of Jeremiah Horton Timothy Horton Benjamin Horton John Horton and Thomas Baylis Desiring Liberty to Build a Horse House at y^e foot of the Hill at the meeting House by Maj^r Pynchons Lot. Voted that the s^d Parsons have Liberty to Build a Horse House at y^e foot of the Hill in y^e Lane by y^e s^d Maj^r Pynchons Lott according to there Petition.

The Report of y^e Committee appointed to make up Acc^{ts} with y^e former Town Treasurer Mr Pelatiah Bliss and the Present Town Treasurer Being Presented and Read voted that the acc^{ts} mentioned in y^e s^d Report be accepted, and that the s^d Pelatiah Bliss y^e former Town Treasurer be and Hereby is Discharged From y^e s^e s^d acc^{ts}.

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Voted and Granted to the Rev^d Mr Stephen Williams & to his heires and assignes forever all the Right and Title that the s^d Town Hath to five or six acres of the narrow Strip of land that Lyeth below Long Meadow Brook as it formerly Run which was formerly Sequestred by the s^d Town to Lye Common and free for Passage into The woods and for feed forever. The s^d Town Hereby Reserving Liberty for Necessary Highways upon Condition that the s^d Stephen Williams acquit and Convey to y^e said Town all the Right and Title he Hath to the Ministry Land.

The Question being Put whether y^e Town would give Liberty that Joseph Remington of Suffield might send his Son to School in this Town, It Passed in y^e Negative.

With Respect to the Highway aforesaid, There was not any thing done at this meeting.

Voted that the Land in Long meadow Comonly Called y^e Comons be Continued in y^e Improvement of the Rev^d Mr Stephen Williams for and in Compensation of His Part of y^e Ministry Land during y^e time of His Ministry in Long-meadow.

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law on the Twentieth day of February Annoque Dom: 1728-29 To Consider and if the Town think itt Needfull to make Choice of Some man or men to Lay before the General Court what Right the Town Hath to That Piece or Tract of Land below the New Loin and East of Enfield and to man-
 nage That Affair for the Town before the s^d Court.

Mr Thomas Horton was voted and Chosen Moderator.

Voted That M^r William Pynchon, Mr John Higgins and Mr Sam^l Ely Sen^r be a Committee to take into Consideration the Title of the said Town to That Tract of Land East of Enfield below the New Line, and to Lay the Same before the General Court by the Representative of the s^d Town for the Time being.

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Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law at Springfield on the Eleventh day of March Anno: Dom: 1728-29 To Choose all such Town officers as is obliged by Law and Such as shall be thought needfull and Beneficial, and also to make Choice of a Committee to Let out or Lease out the School or Town lots for Some Term of yeares, and Give Instructions upon what Terms it Shall be Let if the Town Shall Think Best.

Mr. William Pynchon was Chosen Moderatour

Voted to Choose five Selectmen.

L^t James Warriner Capt John Day, Ebenezer Warriner John Burt and L^t Ephraim Colton was voted and Chosen Selectmen for the year Ensuing.

Mr William Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Clerk for the year Ensuing.

John Stebbins Sen^r Joseph Ashley Timothy Nash Joseph Ely Jun^r and Sam^l Mirick were Chosen Constables for y^e Year Ensuing.

Voted to Choose Three Assessors.

Thomas Stebbins John Ely and L^t Ephraim Colton were Chosen Assessors for y^e year Ensuing.

Voted to Choose five Tythingmen.

Daniel Parsons Simon Smith Jonathan Ely Henry Rogers and David Chapin were Chosen Tythingmen for the year Ensuing.

Thomas Colton William Stebbins Obadiah Cooley Samuel Warner Sam^l Terry Japhet Chapin Sam^l Ely Sen^r Ebenezer Day Sen^r Ebenz Morgan John Hitchcock Jun^r John Bedortha & Joseph Wiliston Jun^r were Chosen fence viewers for y^e year Ensuing.

Henry Woolcott, Joseph Colton John Ely 2^d Thomas Mirick Jun^r John Glover Gershom Ferry W^m Smith Thomas Miller 2^d and Henry Chapin were Chosen Surveyors of Highways for the year Ensuing.

Voted That Jonathan Ely be Excused from Serving In the office of a Tythingman And that another be Chosen in his Room John Bliss Chosen Tythingman for y^e year Ensuing In the Room of Jonathan Ely.

Henry Burt Chosen Treasurer for the Year Ensuing.

Sam^l Thompkins and John Ferry Jun^r Chosen Hogg Reaves for the year Ensuing.

Ebenz Parsons Sen^r and Increase Sikes Sen^r Chosen Sealers of Leather for the year Ensuing.

Voted to Choose a Committee to Let or Lease out the Town or School Lotts to any suitable Person or Persons that will Hire the Same for Some Term of years, Not Exceeding Twenty years [III—343.] And also voted That the Present Selectmen be a Committee to Let or Lease ou the s^d Town or School Lots, and that the s^d Committee use there best Discretion in the said Service and that they be accountable to the Town for said Service.

Att a Meeting at Springfield of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Said Town Quallified and Assembled according to Law on the Eighteenth day of April Annod: Dom: 1729. Firstly to Choose a Constable In the Room of John Stebbins who was Chosen at the Town Meeting in March Last that office but Refused to Serve in s^d office, for the year Ensuing. Secondly to vote and Give liberty for Swine Going

at Large within the Bounds of s^d Town. Thirdly to Give Instructions to the Present Selectmen and also to the Selectmen for the future for the s^d Town For the ordering the Paym^t of money out of the s^d Town Treasury from time to time as there shall be occasion. Fourthly to Choose a Committee to make up acc^{ts} with the Present Town Treasurer.

Mr William Pynchon was Chosen Moderatour.

Joseph Willistone Jun^r was voted and Chosen Constable In y^c Room of the s^d John Stebbins for the year Ensuing.

Voted that Swine may Go at Large within the Bounds of s^d Town being yoaked and Ringed according to Law.

Voted that the Present Selectmen and the Selectmen of the s^d Town for the future from time to time be and Herby are fully Impowered to order the Payments of money out of the s^d Town Treasury as there shall be occasion from time to time for the Defraying the Charges of s^d Town Conformable to the Grants of the s^d Town from time to time. And also for the Necessary Releif of the Poor of the s^d Town from time to time

Voted that the Present Selectmen be a Committee to make up Accounts with the Present Town Treasurer.

Att A Meeting at Springfield of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of s^d Town Quallified and Assembled According to Law on the Twenth day of May Annoque Domini: 1729. To Choose one or more Persons to Serve for and Represent the s^d Town In a Great and General Court assembled Appointed to be Convened Held and Kept for his Majesties Service at the Court House In Salem upon Wednesday the Twenty Eighth day of May Currant [III—344.] And also to give Instruction and Directions to the Selectmen of s^d Town about the Poor of s^d Town there being Some Particular Persons in the s^d Town the Selectmen of the s^d Town think stand in need of Releif therefore they Desire and think It may be Prudent to take the advice of the Town Herein, also to Give orders for the Repairing the Court House there being need thereof. Also to vote and Conclude upon all Proper Methods to obtain a Release from Mr John Huggins of his Priviledge to him of the Ferry at the upper Wharfe Some-

time Heretofore Also Give Instructions to the Town Treasurer if the Town should think Convenient to Sue out the s^d Huggins Bond, also to Choose a fence viewer In y^e Room of Ebenez Day And to Direct the Selectmen How the Highway at Ireland should be whether to Run Through the Field above Chickuype Field as it Now Does or to Alter the Same.

Capt John Day was Chosen Moderatour by a Majority of votes.

Mr Sam^l Day was by a Majority of Votes Chosen Representative to serve for and Represent the s^d Town at the Court as aforesaid.

With Respect to the Poor Nothing was acted.

Voted that the Present Selectmen of the s^d Town be a Comittee to Repair the Court House in the s^d Town And that they be Paid for the Same out of the s^d Town Treasury.

Voted that Henry Burt the Present Town Treasurer withdraw the Suit Commenced by him as Treasurer of the s^d Town ag^t John Huggins upon the s^d Huggins Paying all Charges as yet Expended on s^d Suit.

Voted, That the Highway at Ireland on the West side of the Great River be Altered and Turn'd West^{ly} And the Selectmen to alter and Lay out the same. And to begin at the foot of the Hill where the Rhoad Now Goes a Little South Westerly from the Brook Called Rylyes Brook And to Run West^{ly} where they shall Judge it Convenient And that the Rhoad Running through the Field above Ireland be Discontinued

Att A Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled According to Law at Springfield on y^e 20th day of November Anno: Dom: 1729. For the makeing & Passing all Proper votes for y^e Granting and Raising of money for the Defreying the Debts and Charges of s^d Town. Also to Consider [III—345.] Is Requisite to be done with Reference to the money that yet Remaines unpaid of the Rate Comitted to Joseph Ashley Deceased Late Constable of s^d Town and to vote thereon as Shall be Judged Necessary. Also to accept of y^e

Report of y^e Committee appointed by y^e s^d Town to make up acc^{ts} with the Present Town Treasurer and he to make Proper Votes Thereon. Also to Lease or Let out y^e School lot So Call on y^e West side of the Great River in y^e Plain Called the Plain Field Either to Joseph Morgan of s^d Springfield or to any other Person or Persons for a Longer or Shorter Term of Time as Shall be Judged Necessary and to Pass Proper Votes for that End, Also to Consider and act as to y^e Continueing or Discontinueing the Cart way a Cross mens lots from y^e Lane at the Middle Houses so Called to the Lower End of the Longmeadow or So much of it as may be thought fitt and to vote therein as Shall be Judged Necessary. And also to Take into Consideration Cornelius Webbs Dwelling upon the lot Called the Town Lot at y^e upper End of the Town Platt near the Causeway he having Lived on y^e Same for Sometime In y^e House he hath Erected And to Make & Pass such votes herein as Shall be Judged most for the advantage of s^d Town.

Capt John Day was Chosen Moderatour by a Majority of votes.

Voted and Granted to John Colton for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound five Shillings.

Voted and Granted to Eliakim Cooley for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound five shillings.

Voted and Granted to Benjamin Cooley for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound.

Voted and Granted to Nath^l Burt Sen^r for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past Two Pounds.

Voted and Granted to Jonathan Ely for Repairing y^e school House at Longmeadow Two Shillings & Eight Pence.

Voted and Granted to Thomas Horton for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past Two Pounds.

Voted and Granted to Henry Burt for his Service as Town Treasurer the year Past fifty Shillings.

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Voted and Granted to Natha^l Dumbleton for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound.

Voted & Granted to Ephraim Stiles for Ringing y^e Nine of y^e Clock Bell y^e year Past Two Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted and Granted to W^m Warriner for 1 Load of Stone about Mr Mallifords Tomb Seven Shillings.

Voted and Granted to David Chapin Benjamin Chapin, Thomas Colton Isaac Colton Jun^r James Mirick Jun^r Jonathan Taylor Joseph Colton Jonathan Ball Jun^r Joseph Leonard Sen^r Lambertson Cooper W^m Smith & Ebenz Millar Jun^r the Sum of four Shillings Each for one Days Preambulation.

Voted & Granted to Obadiah Cooley for help Building the Pound Twenty Eight Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Dan^l Parsons for help Building the Pound Seven Shillings and four Pence.

Voted & Granted to Frances Sikes for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted and Granted to Joseph Ashley for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Ebenz Jones Jun^r for the Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound Ten Shillings.

Voted & granted to John Ferry Jun^r for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Ebenezer Parsons Sen^r for y^e Service of his Bull y^e year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted & Granted to John Bagg Sen^r for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted Granted to Widow Martha Ferry for y^e Service of her Bull the year Past One Pound Ten Shillings

Voted & Granted to Benjamin Chapin for Keeping y^e Widw Crowfoot & her Son Thomas Sometime Past Eighteen Shillings & 3^d.

Voted & Granted to Luke Hitchcock Sen^r for Keeping Widw Crowfoot & her Son Thomas from March Last Nineteen Pound Three Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Ebenezer Millar Sen^r for y^e Service of his Bull y^e year Past One Pound fifteen Shillings.

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Voted & Granted to Joseph Parsons for the use of his Bull the year Past One Pound Ten Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Nath^l Mun Sen^r & John Hitchcock Sen^r for the Service of there Bull y^e year Past one Pound Ten Shillings

Voted & Granted to Jonathan Chapin for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Ebenezer Leonard Sen^r for the Service of his Bull y^e year Past Eighteen Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Thomas Bliss Sen^r for Keeping Sarah Harmon y^e year Past Ten Pound.

Voted and Granted for y^e Support of the Grammar School fourty five Pound.

Voted & Granted For y^e Support of the School on y^e West Side of the Great River Thirty Pounds.

Voted and Granted for y^e Support of School at Longmeadow Twenty five Pound.

Voted and Granted to Jonathan Stevenson for Keeping Sarah Stevenson five Pound.

Voted and Granted to y^e Inhabitant of y^e Upper Chiccuppee Four Pounds Ten Shillings for y^e Support of a School There

Voted & Granted to the Inhabitants of Agawam for the Support of a School There Ten Pounds.

Voted & Granted to Henry Chapin for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted and Granted to D^r John Leonard for visits &c to one John Stuart in his Sickness Sixteen Shillings & Six pence

Voted & Granted to John Pynchon Esq^r for Druggs to One John Stuart for sickness Nine Shillings and Three Pence.

Voted and Granted to Joseph Leonard for y^e Service of his Bull y^e year Past one Pound fifteen Shillings.

Voted & Granted to John Sikes for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past Ten Shillings.

Voted and Granted to Thomas Stebbins for Dreining y^e Town meadow Three Shillings.

Voted & Granted to W^m Stebbins for mending y^e Windows of Longmeadow School House four Shillings & Six Pence.

Voted & Granted to Abel Chapin for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past Twelve Shillings.

Voted & Granted to Jeremiah Horton for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past Twelve Shillings.

Voted & Granted to John Lamb for y^e Service of his Bull the year Past one Pound five Shillings.

Voted & Granted to the Present Selectmen of s^d Town Three Shillings Each for making up acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer.

Voted & Granted for Contingent Charges Twenty Pounds.

Voted and Granted to James Warriner Jun^r Late Constable Six Shillings being what was assessed upon Joseph Wright Sen^r and Comit^d to him In his Rate to Collect y^e s^d Wright not being able to Pay y^e Same.

Voted that there Be Paid out of the s^d Town Treasury to James Dorchester Jun^r Late Constable of s^d Town all Such Sum or Sums as was Comitted to the s^d Dorchester in his Rate to Collect of Orange Webb upon his Satisfieing the Selectmen of s^d Town that he hath not been Negligent of his Duty Therein And that y^e s^d Selectmen are hereby ordered to Give order for y^e said Paym^t out of s^d Treasury upon his So Doing if they Judge Necessary.

Voted That the Consideration of Continuing or Discontinuing the Cart way a Cross mens Lots from y^e Lane at y^e Middle House So Called to the Lower End of y^e Longmeadow be at Present Deferred.

Voted That the acc^{ts} Presented by y^e Com^{tee} appointed To make up ac^{ts} with the Present Town Treasurer be accepted

Voted That the Present Assessors of y^e s^d Town be & are Hereby Impowered and ordered to Assess the Inhabitants of said Town and all others Residing In S^d Town (Rateable by Law) as well there Poles as Estates the Sum Two Hundred & Sixteen Pound Two Shillings and Six Pence Each one there due and Equall Proportion thereof according to the Rule Set for Raising and Levying the Province Tax In September or Octo^r Last, And that then In these warrants for y^e Collection thereof Direct the Constable or Constables to

whom they Commit the s^d Assessm^t to Pay In the Same To [III—349.] Henry Burt Town Treasurer of s^d Town or his Successor in s^d office by the first day of March next for y^e use of the s^d Town for the Defreying the Debts and Charges of s^d Town according to y^e Grants made for y^e Same.

Voted that Ezenezer Warriner W^m Pynchon Jun^r And Luke Hitchcock Jun^r be a Committee to Take into Consideration That matter wth s^d Respect to what Remaines Due of the Rate Commit^d to Joseph Ashley Deceased Late Constable of s^d Town And to make Report thereon what they Shall Judge Right & Just to be done in that affair.

With Respeca to Leasing or Letting out the School Lot on y^e West Side of the Great River in y^e Plain There was not any done thereon at that Meeting .

Nothing was acted with Respect to Cornelius Webbs Living on y^e Lot Called the Town Lot at this Meeting.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled according to Law on the 10th day of March Anno: Dom: 1729-30 To Choose Town officers for the year Ensuing, Also to Choose a Committee to make up acc^{sts} with the Trustees for s^d Town of the s^d Towns Proportion of the £50,000 in Bills of Credit Granted by the General Court of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in the month of Novem^r 1720. And to make Report to the Town what the s^d Bills is in there hands belonging to the said Town And to make the s^d Trustees a Suitable Reward for there Service therein, And also to accept of the Report of y^e Committee appointed by the Selectmen of s^d Town for the Laying out a Highway at or near the Place Called Ireland on the West Side of the Great River and to allow and Approve thereof, also to Grant to Henry Roggers and Frances Ball a Suitable Reward for Bringing from Middle Town a Tomb Stone to be Set up at Mr Mallifords Grave. Also to Grant and Raise enough money to be [III—350.] Sent to the Speaker of the House of Representatives for the Defreying the Charge of Jonathan Belcher and Francis Wilkes Esq agents the s^d House at the Court of Great

Brittain And also to Take Into Consideration John Hugins Bond Respecting the Ferry and act upon it as the Town shall Think fitt.

Capt William Pynchon was Chosen Moderatour for this meeting.

L^t James Warriner Ebenezer Warriner John Burt Thomas Colton and Thomas Stebbins were Chosen Selectmen and overseers of the Poor In s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Benjamin Horton Luke Hitchcock 2^d Benjamin Morgan John Colton Sem^l Day Benjamin Leonard were Chosen Constables in s^d town for the year Ensuing.

Ebenezer Morgan James Burt John Harmon Thomas Chapin Thomas Bliss 2^d Natha^l Morgan Sen^r Saml Ball John White and Jonathan Smith were Chosen Surveyors of Highways for the year Ensting In s^d Town.

L^t Pelatiah Bliss was Chosen Sealer of Leather In s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Joseph Cooley 2^d, Nathan^l Dumbleton Ebene^r Cooke Saml Chapin Thomas Stiles were Chosen Tythingmen for the year Ensting.

Henry Burt was Chosen Town Treasurer for s^d year Ensuing.

L^t John Ferry Sam^l Keep and Saml Ely Sen^r were Chosen Assessors In s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Thomas Hail Joshua Field Josiah Leonard Sen^r Samuel Leonard Nath^l Mun Jun^r Joseph Stebbins, Baun Vanhorn Jonathan Chapin Thomas Miller Sen^r Christian Vanhorn James Bagg Joseph Morgan were Chosen Fence Viewers In s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Capt William Pynchon Joseph Wilistone and W^m Pynchon Jun^r were Chosen a Comttee to make up acc^{ts} with Capt John Day Capt John Mirick and Mr Thomas Norton Trustees for s^d Town of the Towns Proportion of the £50,000 In Bills of Cred^t Granted by the General Court In the Month of Novemb^r 1720. And that they make Report to the s^d Town How much of s^d Bills That are Either out Standing or in there hands due to the Town.

Voted to John Day John Mirick and Thomas Horton In full for there Service as Trustees for s^d Town the Sum of fifty shillings Each and that the Same be Paid out of the Town Treasury.

Voted that there be Paid out of the Town Treasury to Henry Rogers and Frances Ball the Sum of Twenty five shillings for there Service In Bringing a Tomb Stone to be Set up at Mr Mallifords Grave from Middle Town

Voted that Henry Burt Treasurer of s^d Town Deliver up to Mr John Huggins the Bonds s^d Huggins Gave Respecting the Ferry Upon his Paying to the s^d Treasurer Three Pounds and Relinquishing his Right and Reconveying the Same to s^d Town that he hath for y^e Keeping the Ferry at the Place called the Upper wharfe In Springfield In and by vestue of a vote of s^d Town to s^d Huggins for that End the 31st of Janu^{ry} 1726-7

Voted that that matter Respecting the Raising money for the Defreying the Charges of the agents at the Court at Great Britain be Deferr'd for further Consideration.

No Vote was Was Passed Respecting the s^d Highway the Committee not having made Report that they have laid out y^e Same.

Mr W^m Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Clerk for y^e year En-
suing

Springfield March 16th 1729-30. Sam^l Keep & John Fer-
ry were Sworne Assessors of the Town of Springf^d.

Pr W^m Pynchon Jun^r Cler for s^d Town.

March 20th 1729-30 Sam^l Ely Sworne Assessor for the
Town of Springfield.

Pr W^m Pynchon Jun^r Cler for the S^d Town

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Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law on the fifteenth day of May Annoque Domini 1730 To Elect and Depute one or more Persons to Serve for and Represent the Said Town at the Great and General Court to be Held at Cambridge &c and to Choose one or more Hogg

Reaves And also to Receive the Return of y^e Committee Chosen to Reckon with the Trustees of the Town Bank, and How to Dispose of the Interest of s^d Bill

W^m Pynchon Esq Chosen Moderatour.

William Pynchon Esq Chosen Representative by a Majority of votes for and Represent the s^d Town at y^e Court afores^d

Shem Chapin and Nath^l Bancraft were Chosen Hogg Reaves to Serve Until the Annual meeting in March next.

The Report of the s^d Comtee is as follows: We the Subscribers being appointed by the vote of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} wth Capt John Day Capt John Mirick and Mr Thomas Horton Trustees for the Town of the s^d Towns Proportion of the £500,000, In Bills of Credit Granted in March 1720-21. And to make Report of what we find due from s^d Trustees to the s^d Town and how much they have in there hands and How much is outstanding accordingly Report that we have attended s^d Service and that there is now Due to the said Town of the Interest of s^d Bills the Sum of £183: 19: 9. In the whole to y^e 2^d day of May Curr^{tt} Having Discounted out all Necessary Disburstments and allowances made to the s^d Trustees by s^d Town and the Loss of Interest for money in there hands not let out &c Four Payments of the Principle being Already made to the Province Treasurer and the s^d Trustees having now In there hands of the Principle Bills Sufficient to Pay [III—353.] The Remainder of the Principle, and that they have in there hands of the Interest of s^d Bills £50: 10^s and that in Bonds out Standing £126: 6: 2: which makes £176: 16: 2. To that there is £7: 3: 7 due to the s^d Town which they Gave us no acc^{tt} of which makes in the whole with the s^d Bills and Bonds the s^d Sum of £183: 19: 9. Which the s^d Trustees are accountable for to the s^d Town.

Springfield May 13th 1730

Joseph Williston

W^m Pynchon

W^m Pynchon Jun^r

Voted that the within Report be accepted and that the s^d

Sum of £50.10 Interest Bills within mentioned be by the s^d Trustees Paid to Henry Burt Treasurer of s^d Sum of £50.10 Interest Bills within mentioned be by the s^d Trustees Paid to Henry Burt Treasurer of s^d Town or his Successor in s^d office for the use of the s^d Town and the s^d Treasurer is Hereby Impowr'd with the advice of the Selectmen to Let out the Same at Lawfull Interest upon a good Security, And that the s^d Trustees be Discharged therefrom upon Paying the s^d £50:10 To the Treasurer And that all the Bills outstanding be Gathered in as Soon as may be and paid in by the s^d Trustees to the s^d Treasurer or his Successor and by the s^d Treasurer or his Successor to be Let out with the advice of the Selectmen in manner as aforesaid. And that the Consideration of the £7 3^s 7^d Loss of Interest be Deferred.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled according to Law on the Twenty fourth of Novem^r Annoque Domini 1730 To Grant money to Defrey the necessary charges that Hath Arisen or may Arise in s^d Town, And to take Into Consideration the £7: 3: 7 Loss money of the £50,000 Pound bank In y^e hands of Capt John Day In Compa with s^d Comtee for s^d Bank And also to act thereon if they See cause, And to Receive the Réport of the Selectmen Concerning the State of the Treasury or to Choose a Comtee to Reckon with the Treasurer, And also to Consider whether it be not a prudent thing to Build a work House or House of Correction and to act thereon and to Receive the Return of the Comtee to Consider of y^e money In the hands of y^e adnte of Joseph Ashley Deceas^d & to Act thereon

W^m Pynchon Esqr was Chosen Moderatour.

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Granted to Luke Hitchcock Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year Two pounds, And for Keeping the Widw Crowfoot and Thomas Crowfoot Twenty Pounds Eight Shillings In full

Granted to W^m Warriner for work at the School House the Sum of Eight Shillings.

Granted to David Mirick for work at the School House five Shillings.

Granted to Pelatiah Glover Jun^r for mending Glass windows at the School House in the Town and at Longmeadow four Shillings and one Penny.

Granted to Joseph Knowlton for Going to Hadley for a warrant when it was Supposed Gideon Pratt Had the Small Pox Ten Shillings.

Granted to John Pynchon Esq^r for Druggs to Benja Crowfoot for s^d Crowfoots wife in her Sickness one pound Eight Shillings and five pence.

Granted to Thomas Stebbins for Timber to Build the Stocks five shillings.

Granted to Sam^l Warner for Building the Stocks the Sum of five Shillings.

Granted to James Warriner for work about Mallifords Tomb and for nailes three shillings.

Granted to Joseph Parsons for the use of his Bull this year Two pounds.

Granted to Dan^l Parsons for the use of his Bull this year Two pounds.

Granted to John Harmon for Keeping Sarah Stevenson four weeks Twelve Shillings.

Granted to John Leonard for Visits and Medicines to Eben^r Leonard and Benja Crowfoot wives Three pounds Seven Shillings and Tenpence.

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Granted to Jonathan Worthenton for his daughters Nursing Ebenz Leonards wife In her sickness Seven shillings.

Granted to Henry Chapin for Keeping Thomas Crowfoot & the Widw Crowfoot from y^e 24th of June last to y^e 25th Currant Thirteen Pound four shillings. And for the keeping and Tend'g Benja Crowfoots wife in her sickness One pound thirteen shillings and Nine Pence, And for the use of his Bull this year one pound fifteen shillings.

Granted to Jonathan Chapin for the use of his Bulls this year Two Pounds five Shillings.

Granted to Thomas Bliss Sen^r for Keeping Sarah Harman from y^e 28th December Last to the 25th Currant Twelve pound two shillings.

Granted to David Ingersole for the use of his Bull this year Twenty Shillings.

Granted to W^m Colton for the use of his Bull this year Two pounds.

Granted Ebenez Jones Jun^r for the use of his Bull this year one Pound Ten shillings.

Granted to John Sikes for the use of his Bull this year one pound Ten Shillings.

Granted to Sam^l Keep for mending Longmeadow Pound four Shillings.

Granted to John Worthenton John Ely and John Burt Trustees of the Towns Proportion of the £60,000 Loan for there Service Two years Past the sum of fourty Shillings Each.

Granted to Jeremiah Horton for the use of his Bull this year the Sum of one pound fifteen Shillings.

Granted to John Hitchcock Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year fifteen Shillings.

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Granted to the Widw Martha Ferry for the use of her Bull this year the Sum of Two Pound.

Granted to John Bagg Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year Two pound five shillings.

Granted to Nath^l Dumbleton for the use of his Bull this year one pound fifteen shillings.

Granted to Christian Vanhorne for the use of his two Bulls this year Two pounds.

Granted to Thomas Horton for the Use of his Bull this year Two pounds.

Granted to Benja Beaman for the use of his Bull this year Two pound.

Granted to Ebenez Leonard Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year one pound fifteen shillings.

Granted to Benja Cooley for the use of his Bull this year Two pounds.

Granted to Henry Burt for his Service as Town Treasurer this year Two pound Ten Shillings.

Granted to John Fowler for the use of his Bull this year fifteen shillings.

Granted to Benjamin Brooks Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year fifteen shillings.

Granted to Joseph Leonard for the use of his Bull this year one pound Ten shillings.

Granted to Benj Smith Jun^r for the use of his Bull this year one Pound.

Granted to Job Smith for the use of his Bull this year one pound Ten Shillings.

Granted for the Support of the Grammar Schooll for the Term of one year Fifty Pounds.

Granted for the Support of the Schooll In the Precinct on the West Side of the Great River for one year the Sum of Thirty five pounds.

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Granted for the Support of the Schooll at the Precinct of Longmeadow for one year Twenty five Pounds.

Granted to the Inhabitants of the Upper Chiccuppee for the Support of a School there four pounds Ten Shillings, And that the same be Paid to John Chapin to be Disbursed for defreying the Charges thereof.

Granted to the Inhabitants of the Lower Chiccuppe for the Support of a school there four Pounds to be paid to Henry Chapin to be by him Disbursed for the Defreying the Charge thereof.

Granted to the Inhabitants of Paucatuck and Tattum Five Pounds for the Support of a School there to be Paid to Ebenz Miller Sen^r to be by him Disbursed for the Defreying the Charge thereof.

Granted to the Inhabitants of Agawam Ten pounds for the Support of a School there to be Paid to John White to be by him Disbursed for the defreying the Charge thereof.

Granted to the Widw Rebekah Lamb the Sum of Two pound one Shilling In full for her Tendance of Benja Crowfoots wife in her Sickness.

Granted to Thomas Terry Sen^r for victualling the Widw

Lamb the time of her Tending Crowfoots wife And for Transporting the Widw Crowfoot and her son to Chiccuppe fourteen Shillings.

Granted for the Support of the Por, Defreying the Charges of Wild Catts, and other Contingent charges the Sum of fifteen Pounds.

Granted to Gershom Ferry of Keeping Sarah Stevenson from y^e 12th May Last to this Day being 28 weeks at 4 shillings makes in the whole five pound Twelve shillings.

Granted to John Ely Sen^r for 2 Days work and for Boards at the School House on the West Side of the Great River the sum of Seven shillings.

Granted to Henry Rogers for one days work and for Nails at the School House on the West Side of the River Ten shillings and Six Pence.

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Granted to Frances Ball for one day's work at the school house on the West side the River three shillings

Granted to Benja Ball for the use of his Team one day to Cart Clay and Boards to the School House on the West side the River four shillings and Six Pence.

Granted to Joseph Millar for 2 Dayes and Halfe work at the School House on the West side the River and for a Window frame for s^d House Eleven Shillings Six Pence.

Granted to Moses Millar Two shillings for Halfe a day's work at the School house on the West side of y^e River.

Granted to Ebenz Day 100 of Boards for the School House on the West side the River Six shillings.

Granted to Sam^l Ely Jun^r for 100 Boards for the Schooll house on the West side the River five shillings

Granted to Thomas Millar the first one shilling and Six pence for Brick used at y^e School house on the West side the Great River.

Granted to John Worthenton for Glass for the Schooll House on the West side the Great River Ten Shillings and four pence Voted that all Grants of money made And Passed at this meeting be Paid out of the Treasury of the s^d Town.

Voted that the Present Selectmen be a Committee to make up Acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer. And that they Lay before the State of the Treasury

Voted that there be a work House Built in the Town of Springfield.

Voted that there be a Rate Raised and Levyed upon the Inhabitants of the s^d Town as well there Poles as Estates (Rateable) the Sum of One Hundred Eighty two Pounds Thirteen Shillings and five Pence. And that the Present assessors of the s^d Town be and Hereby are fully authorized and Impowered to Proportion the Same accordingly, [III—359.] According to the Rule for making the Province Tax this Present year. And that the same be Paid into the Treasury of the s^d Town of Springfield by the Last day of March next for the Defreying the Debts and Charges of s^d Town according to the Grants for the same.

Voted that one Halfe of the Sum of £7: 3: 7: Loss of Interest In y^c Hands of John Day and Compa Trustees of s^d Town be Remitted to them and that the Remaining Halfe which is £3: 11: 9 1-2 be by the Trustees Paid Into the Treasury of the Town of Springfield to be by the Treasurer Let Out in the Same manner as the Town have Directed the s^d Interest Bills shall be Let.

Voted that the Report of the Comtee Appointed to take into Consideration what may be Just to the Town to Do Respecting the money Due to the Town from Joseph Ashley Deceas^d be Accepted And that the Treasurer of s^d Town be and Hereby is directed to Deliver up to the Adm's on the Estate of said Deceased the Note of £25: 5^s Given by the s^d Deceas^d to the Selectmen of the Town, upon there paying Into the said Town Treasury the sum of Two pound three shillings and three pence being the Ballance of what is due from s^d Deceased.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled according to Law on the 29th day of January: Anno: Domi: 1730-31 For the Depnting and Electing one or more persons to Rep-

resent the s^d Town at the Gen^l Court on the 10th of Februry next Also for the Granting of Several Sums of money, also to Choose to Committee to Hire Such a Number of Bulls as shall be thought necessary or otherwise to agree upon Such measures for that End as shall be thought necessary, also to Signifie to the Selectmen the minds of the People whether they Shall Lay out a way from [III—360.] the Mouth of Agawam to the Country Rhoad on the South Side of s^d River or not, Review the Report of the Selectmen who were appointed to reckon with the Treasurer. Also to choose a committee or Enable the Selectmen to Lease out the Town or School Land for a Terme of Time.

W^m Pynchon Esqr chosen Moderatour by a majority of votes.

W^m Pynchon Esq^r and W^m Pynchon Jun^r Chosen & Elect^d to Represent the s^d Town at the Gen^l Assembly the 10th of Februry next.

Granted to Ephraim Stiles for Ringing the nine of the Clock Bell &c And Sweeping the Town House Three Pounds, And that the Same be Paid out of the Town Treasury .

Granted to John Ferre Sen^r for his Service as Assessor this year and for Paper the Sum of Two Pound fourteen shilling And that the Same be Paid out of the Town Treasury.

Granted to John Ferre Jun^r for the Service of his Bull in the year Past one pound Ten shillings and that the same be Paid out of y^e Town Treasury.

Granted to James Warriner Ebenz Warriner John Burt and Thomas Stebbins the Sum of four shillings Each, for there Service in making up acc^{ts} with the Treasurer.

Granted to Jehojada Bartlett four shillings and six pence, to Natha^l Mun Jun^r three shillings And to Cornelius Webb three Shillings for Repairing Henry Wright's House

Granted to Samuel Keep for his Service as an assessor this year one Pound fourteen shillings And that y^e Same be Paid out of y^e Town treasury.

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Voted that there be paid Sam^l Ely Sen^r after the Rate of four Shillings pr Day for his Service as assessor this year, for

as many Days as he Attended the s^d Service and that the Selectmen Receive and allow his acc^t of the Same and ord^r the Paym^t thereof out of the Town Treasury.

Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to agree for and Hire as many Bulls as they shall think necessary, for the year to come.

Voted that the Present Selectmen be a Committee to Lease out the Town or School land for the Term of five years, to any Person or Persons that will Hire the Same, upon Such terms as they think best.

The Report of the Selectmen appointed to make up acc^{ts} wth the Town Treasurer being Presented to this meeting for acceptance, was accordingly by a vote accepted and allowed of Excepting one article of £18: 5^s Due by a Note from Joseph Ashleys Estate which was wrong Entered the whole there of being Discharged Excepting £2: 3: 3 by vote in Novb^r Last.

Respecting the Highway on the South Side of Agawam River nothing was acted thereon at this meeting.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law on the ninth day of March Anno: Dom: 1730-31 for the Choice and Election of Town officers and also to Receive the Petion of the Selectmen for Locating a Highway that leads from the Country Rhoad to the Rev^d Mr Brewers Lot.

Mr Sam^l Bliss was Chosen Moderatour.

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Mr Sam^l Bliss Mr Joseph Williston L^t James Warriner Mr Thomas Colton and Mr Thos Stebbins were Chosen Selectmen.

Luke Hitchcock 2^d Joseph Morgan Gershom Ferry Isaac Colton 2^d and W^m Smith were Chosen Constables.

Mr Ebenezer Parsons was Chosen Sealer of Leather.

Sam^l Stebbins John Ely John Lamb and John Harmon were Chosen Tythingmen.

Mr Henry Burt was Chosen Town Treasurer.

L^t John Ferry Ebenz Parsons and Sam^l Colton were Chosen Assessors.

Sam^l Sikes Pelatiah Hitchcock Ebenezer Cooke John Chapin, Sam^l Terry Sam^l Cooley Nahl Bliss 2^d Henry Rogers Thomas Day Benja Ashley Sam^l Morgan & Joseph Leonard Jun^r were Chosen Fence Viewers.

Pelatiah Morgan Ebenezer Morgan Wm Colton James Mirick Jun^r Jonathan Worthenton John Ferry Jun^r John Hitchcock Jun^r Nathl Sikes 2^d Wm Stebbins & Jonathan Miller were Chosen Surveyors of Highways.

Ephraim Bartlet Sam^l Glover Sam^l Colton Moses Miller Joseph Leonard Jun^r Eliakim Cooley Nathl Ely Ebenz Millar 2^d and John Chapin Jun^r were Chosen Hog Reaves.

Mr Wm Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Clerk

Voted that Wm Smith be Excused from Serving as Constable this year.

May y^e 5th 1730 The Return of y^e Selectmen about a Highway. We the subscribers being Desired by the Rev^d Mr Dan^l Brewer and Gershom Ferry to Lay out a way on the Hill where the Housen are, And we Proceeded to Lay out s^d Way and is Stated as followeth, It being in Weadth [III—363.] Two Rods and in Length from the Country Rhoad at John Evans his House to the Lower side of the s^d Rev^d Mr Daniel Brewers House Lot on s^d Hill and from thence up to Gershom Ferry's House s^d way is to Extend Two Rods from the Brow of the Hill on which s^d House Stands And from Gershom Ferry's House to the West Corner of John Ferry Jun^{rs} his Orchard Lying Between s^d Ferrys House and s^d John Ferrys Orchard, the West Side of s^d way is Bounded on or by s^d Ferrys Shop And on the East by s^d Ferrys Barn And So along near s^d John Ferrys apple Trees Till it Comes near the Upper Side of s^d Orchard And then Setting of from the Apple Trees to the West Corner of the Widow Crowfoots House Lying on the South side of s^d House And from s^d House It Extends to the Country Rhoad, s^d Way Lyeth at the East End of John Evans His Barn.

James Warriner
Ebenz Warriner
John Burt
Thos Stebbins
Selectmen

Which s^d Return being Presented to this meeting and Read Voted that the Same be Accepted And the s^d Highway therein Expressed be And Hereby is Approved of as a Town Highway.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled as the law Directs on y^e 10th day of May Anno: Dom: 1731 to Elect and Depute one or more Persons to serve for and Represent the s^d Town in the Great and General Court to be Held at Boston on y^e 26th day of May next Also for the Choosing Such officers that Do Refuse to take there oaths or Serve in there offices they were chosen In General Town meeting In March Last, Likewise to Vote [III—364.] That Swine may go at Large under the Linitts that the law Prescribes, And to Consider whether they will Pay the Twenty Pounds to John Chapin for Lands Taken away by the Jury, or whether they will Petition the Gen^l Court for abatm^t of the Same, And also Consider Whether those Persons that Have Taken up money out of the Town Bank may Pass there bonds to Pay there dues Into the Town Treasury

Capt John Day was Chosen Moderatour by a Majority of Votes.

The Question was Put whether the Town would Pay to John Chapin the Sum of Twenty Pounds; being Direct^d Thereto by the Court of Gen^l Sessions of the Peace Held at Northampton on the First Tuesday of March Last, for a Country Rhoad laid Through the s^d Chapins Improved Ground to the Great River. It Passed In the Negative.

Whereas The Town of Springfield are Directed by the Court of Gen^l Sessions of the peace Held at Northampton for y^e County of Hampshire on the Third Tuesday of May Last Past to Pay to John Chapin the Sum of Twenty Pounds Damages, Valued by the Jury for Laying out a Country Rhoad Running Through the s^d Chapins Improved lands from the Country Rhoad on the East Side of Connecticutt River, West-erly to the s^d River, which the Town Think not Proper to Pay, the s^d Rhoad being but of Little or no advantage as they

Apprehend to any But the Town of Hadley [III—365.] And not a Proper Country Rhoad, Therefore Voted That L^t James Warriner, Mr Joseph Wilistone Mr Saml Bliss Mr Thomas Colton & Mr Thomas Stebbins, the Present Selectmen of s^d Town be a Comtee In Behalfe of the Town of Springfield to Address the Gen^l Court as Soon as may be for Relief Therein.

Voted That the Several Sums In Bills of Cred^t Still out Standing In the Hands of Capt John Day Compll Trustees of the s^d Towns Proportion of the £50,000, Now due from Sundry Persons In Bonds to the s^d Trustees be by the s^d Several Persons Paid Into the Treasury of the s^d Town of Springfield, by Giving the Treasurer (for the use of the Town) Bonds in Lieu thereof with a good Sufficient Surety besides the Principal, And the Treasurer is Hereby Direct^d to take the advice of the Selectmen Herein, Provided that the Sum due from any Person be not Less then Five pounds And not to Let out more then Thirty Pounds to any Part^r Person.

Voted That Swine may Goe at Large within the Town of Springfield being yoak^d and Ring^{'d} as the Law Directs.

No Officers Chosen at This meeting.

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Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law on the 13th day of August, Anno: Dom: 1731. To Choose a Surveyor of Highways to Serve in the Room of Pelatiah Morgan who Refused to Serve in s^d office.

Wm Pynchon Esqr was Chosen Moderatour.

John Day Jun^r was Chosen Surveyor of Highways to Serve until the Annual Meeting In March next.

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to law on y^e 18th day of Novem^r Anno: Dom: 1731.

For the Granting Such Sum or Sums of money as they Shall think fitt to Defrey the Necessary and Contingent Charges that have arisen or may arise in s^d Town and also to Choose a Committee to Reckon with the Town Treasurer an-

anually Some time Before the meetings for Granting money to Defrey the Town Charges.

Mr Saml Bliss Chosen Moderatour.

Granted for the Support of the Grammar School the Sum of Fifty Pounds.

Granted for the support of the Schools on the West Side of the Great River Thirty Pounds, out of which four Pounds is to be appropriated for the support of the School at the Place called Ireland and to be Paid for that End as it Becomes Due.

Granted For the Support of the School at Longmeadow the Sum of Twenty Five Pounds.

Granted to Ebenezer Parsons Sen^r for four Dayes Assessing the Sum of Sixteen Shillings.

Granted to Sam^l Colton for Three Dayes Assessing the Sum of Twelve Shillings.

Granted to John Ferry for Paper and Five Dayes Assessing one pound and Ten pence.

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Granted to W^m Colton for the Service of his Bull the Present year the Sum of fourty Shillings.

Granted to the Widw Jeremiah Colton for the Service of her Bull the Present year fourty Shillings.

Granted to Benjamin Cooley for the Service of his Bull the year Past fourty Shillings.

Granted to Increase Sikes Junr for the Service of his Bull the year Currant the Sum of one pound Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Joseph Parsons for the Service of his Bull the Present year fourty Shillings.

Granted to Luke Hitchcock Sen^r for the Services of his Bull the Present year fourty Shillings and for Irons for the Stocks Two Shillings.

Granted to Benjamin Brooks for the Service of his Bull the Present year fourty Shillings.

Granted to John Hitchcock Sen^r for the Service of his Bull the Present year Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Jeremiah Horton for the Service of his Bull the Present year Two pounds.

Granted to Benjamin Chapin for the Service of his Bull the Present year Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Jonathian Chapin for the Service of his Bull the Present year Forty Shillings.

Granted to Benjamin Smith for the Service of his Bull the Present year fourty Shillings.

Granted to John Day for Repairing the Pound on the West side the Gret River Twelve Shillings.

Granted to Pelatiah Glover Jun^r for mending Glass at the School Housees Eighteen Shillings.

Granted to Ephraim Stiles for Ringing the Nine Clock Bell &c and Sweeping the Town House Three Pounds.

Granted for the Support of the Widw Crowfoot and her Son Thomas Thirty one pound four Shillings.

Granted for the Support of Sarah Harmon the Sum of Thirteen pounds.

Granted for the Support of Sarah Stevenson the Sum of Ten Pounds.

Granted to Jonathan Stevenson for the Service of his Bull this year Twenty five Shillings.

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Granted for the Support of the School at the Upper Chicuppee the Sum of Five Pounds and that it be Paid to John Chapin as it becomes Due.

Granted to Henry Burt for his Service as Town Treasurer the year the sum of Fifty Shillings.

Granted to Timothy Nash for Repairing at Longmeadow Pound three Shillings.

Granted to David Burt for Sundry Repaires of Longmeadow School House Eight Shillings.

Granted to Samuel Chapin for the Service of his Bull this year Twenty Shillings.

Granted for the Support of a school at the Loer Chicuppee Four pounds And to be paid to Henry Chapin.

Granted for the Support of a School at Agawam the Sum of Six Pounds and to be paid to John White as it becomes due.

Voted that there be Remitted to Joseph Ashley out of his Town Rate to Collect Seven Shillings and Two pence being the Sum Assessed to Joseph Brooks to Pay which ought not to have been the s^d Brooks not being of age to act for himself.

Granted to John Chapin the Sum of Nineteen Pounds Damages for a Highway Laid out through his Homelot Lately by order of the Court of Quarter Sessions.

Granted for Contingent Charges Fifty Pounds.

Voted that all Grants of money made at this meeting be Paid out of the Town Treasury.

Voted that there be a Rate Raised and Levyed on the Inhabitants of s^d Town the Sum of Two Hundred and Sixty Pounds, And that the Present assessors are Direct^d Hereby to Assess the Same according to Law on the Several Inhabitants and that they Direct the Person or Persons to whom they Comit the s^d Assessm^{ts} to Pay the Same to Henry Burt Treasurer of s^d Town or to his Successor by the First of March next for the Defraying the Charges of s^d Town.

Voted that W^m Pynchon Jun^r Joseph Wilistone and Thomas Stebbins be a Comtee to make up accounts with the Present Town Treasurer And that the Selectmen that shall be Chosen next March be a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer next year before the meeting for Granting of money.

[III—369.]

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled according to Law on the Seventeenth Day of Feb^y Anno: Dom: 1731-32 To Grant to Several Persons money for the use of their Bulls, and for Preambulation And other Necessary or Contingent Charges.

Mr Natha^l Mun was Chosen Moderatour by a Majority of votes.

Granted to Natha^l Leonard for the use of his Bull the Past year Fourty Shillings.

Granted to John Fowler for the use of his Bull the year Past Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Christian Vanhornne for the use of his Bull the year Past fourty Shillings.

Granted to Natha^l Dumbleton for the use of his Bull the year past Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Joseph Ely Jun^r for the use of his Bull the year Past Twenty Shillings.

Granted to Obadiah Cooley James Warriner Jun^r & Robert Harris for one Day Each to Run the Line Between Springfield and Brimfield four Shillings Each.

Voted that all the Grants of money made at this meeting be paid out of the Treasury of the Town of Springfield.

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled according to Law on the Fourteenth day of March Anno: Dom: 1731-2 For the Choosing of Town officers, also to accept of the Report of the Committee appointed to make up acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer.

W^m Pynchon Esq^r was Chosen Moderatour.

Joseph Wilistone John Worthenton, Pelatiah Bliss Thomas Stebbins and John Day were Chosen Selectmen for the Town of Springfield for the year Ensuing.

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M^r W^m Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Town Clerk and Town Treasurer for the Town of Springfield for the year Ensuing.

John Glover John Horton Thomas Bliss 3^d Caleb Parsons and James Mirick Jun^r were Chosen Constables for the Town of Springfield for the year Ensuing.

Luke Hitchcock 2^d John Ely and Ephraim Colton were Chosen Assessors for the Town of Springfield for the year Ensuing.

Benja Stebbins Joseph Parsons John Stebbins Sen^r and Nath^l Bliss 2^d were Chosen Tythingmen for the Town of Springfield for y^e year Ensuing.

John Hitchcock Sen^r Samuel Warner Ebenezer^r Colton Pelatiah Hitchcock Eliakim Cooley Ebenz Jones Jun^r Sam^l Ely Jun^r and Sam^l Mirick were Chosen Surveyors of Highways for the Town of Springfield for y^e year Ensuing.

Thomas Bliss 2^d Ebenez Hitchcock Jun^r John Day Jun^r Pelatiah Morgan Jun^r Benja Chapin Japhet Chapin Natha^l Burt 2^d Thomas Day and Frances Stebbins were Chosen Fence Viewers for the Town of Springfield for y^e year Ensuing.

Ebenz Parsons and Increase Sikes were Chosen Sealers of Leather for the Town of Springfield the year Ensuing.

The Report of the Comtee Appointed to make up acc^{ts} (Page 371.) With Henry Burt Treasurer with the Town of Springfield Setting forth that they had accordingly Done the Same And that there is Due to the Town according to the s^d Treasurers acc^{tt} the Sum of £96:12:6, of which there is now in the s^d Treasurers Hands the Sum of £40:14:6. And outstanding in the Hands of Several Constables not yet Paid into the Treasury the Sum of £55:18, Exclusive of the Last Rates and Tares Raised the Last, being to this Meeting Preset^d And Read, Voted that the Same be accepted and allowed.

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Assembled according to Law on y^e Monday the Fifteenth day of May Anno: Dom: 1732.

To take unto Consideration the Circumstances of James Dorchester he having made application to the Selectmen that he is under Poor and Low Circumstances and Stands in need of Relief and to Pass Proper votes thereon as also to take in- to Consideration the Cost and Charges that Have been Ex- pended by the s^d Town in Tendance &c In John Bedortha Deceas^d Late Sickness in the Small Pox of which he Dyed and to Pass Such votes and Grants Respecting the Same as Shall be Judged Necessary, As also to Grant to Benja Smith Jun^r what the Town Shall think Proper for the Use of his Bull the Last year, also to Give Instructions to the Treas- urer [III—372.] of Said Town what shall be done re- specting the money that is outstanding and due to the said Town from any Particular Person or Persons and to Pass Proper votes therein, also to Choose Such Town offi-

cers as are necessary to Serve in the Room of those officers as were Chosen in March Last and Refused, Also to take Into Consideration what may be done in answer to the Presentment of the Grand Jury for not makin a good Feasable Highway from John Day Junr^s to the Widw Mackrannys on the West Side of the Great River, as also to make and Pass such votes and Grants of money to any Person or Persons for any Consideration Whatsoever as shall be thought necessary as also to appoint to Hire as many Bulls as shall be Judged Necessary for the Service of the Town the year Ensuing, also to take into Consideration what Proper methods may be taken for Preserving and Securing the Lot Called the Town Wood Lot Lying Eastward of the Town Meadow on the East Side of Connecticutt River that no Ineroachm^{ts} may be made thereon, And Pass all Such votes and Grants Respecting the Same as Shall be Thought Necessary and any other Particulars Lot belonging to the Town, as also to Choose a Representative to Serve for and Represent the s^d town at the Gen^l Court the Last Wednesday of May Currant.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r was Chosen Moderatour.

Dan^l Parsons, Saml Keep Jona Chapin James Mirick Tilly Mirick John Bagg and Ebenez^r Millar Sen^r were Chosen a Comtee to Hire as many Bulls as they Shall think Necessary In Every Part of the Town for the year Ensuing And that they [III—373.] Determine the Number in Each Part of the Town according to the Number of Cowes in Due Proportion, any three of the s^d Comite agreeing upon there Meeting and Determination in y^e affair Shall be valid and that they make Report to the Town as Soon as may be of there Transactions in y^e affair.

Granted to the Widw Martha Ferry forty Shillings for the Service of her Bull in y^e year 1731, Provided the same be not Granted Heretofore and that the Same be paid out of the Town Treasury.

Voted that the money outstanding in the Hands of Thomas Ingersole and David Ingersole be Still Continued in there Hands Provided they Give Further Security to the

Treasurer of s^d Town for the Same, the s^d Treasurer Taking the advice of the Selectmen therein, and that the Same be forthwith Done.

Voted that the bond from Benja Ball for the Payment of a Considerable Sum be P^d to him without Paying any thing more, Upon his Executing a Good Deed of Sale to the s^d Town of Four or Five Acres of Land Lying near Jehojadah Bartletts, being the Land he Had of Cornelius Webb, And that the Present Selectmen with the Town Treasurer be a Comtee In Behalfe of the Town to take the s^d Deed upon s^d Balls Cost.

Voted that the Present Selectmen be a Comtee to take Into Consideration the acc^{tt} of Disbursm'ts &c [III—374.] In John Bedorthas Late De^{cd} Sickness and make Report to the Town as soon as may be what may be Proper for the Town to act in y^e affair, And that they Represent the s^d acc^{tt} to the Judge of Probates as Soon as may be with a Desire that Admcon may be Granted on y^e s^d Estate that the s^d acc^{tt} may be paid and refunded out of y^e Estate of s^d Deceas^d If any there be.

Voted that the Treasurer of s^d Town Deliver to John Barber the bond and note he has in hands of s^d Barbers upon y^e s^d Barbers Paying to the Treasurer the Sum of Five Pounds Provided he pays the same within one Months time from y^e Date.

Capt John Day was Chosen Representative.

Voted that this Meeting be adjourned to Fryday the 19th day of May Instant at two Clock afternoon.

Att a Lawfull Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Holden by adjourn^t upon y^e 15th day of May 1732 To the 19th of s^d Month.

Granted to Natha^l Dumbleton the Sum of Ten shillings more for the use of his Bull for y^e year 1731. And that the Same be Paid out of the Town Treasury.

Granted to Benjamin Smith Jun^r the Sum of Twenty Shillings for y^e use of his Bull In y^e year 1731. And that the Same be paid out of the Town Treasury.

[III—375.]

Voted that the Present Selectmen be and are Hereby ordered to Dray money out of the Treasury of s^d Town for the Support of James Dorchester Sen^r and his wife until the Town Shall otherwise order.

Voted that Luke Hitchcock Jun^r be agent or Atto^y In Behalfe of the Town of Springfield to take Effectual Care that no Enchroachments be made on the Tract of Land Cal^d the Town or School Wood Lot Lying near the North End of the Town plat Easterly of the Town Meadow. And he Hereby is fully Impowred in y^e Towns Behalfe to Prosecute or Sue any Person or Persons that shall at any time Trespass on y^e s^d Land or be found in y^e Improvem^t of the Same or any Part thereof at any time Hereafter.

Granted to Joseph Wilistone L^t Pelatiah Bliss and Thomas Stebbins three of the Selectmen the Sum of Twenty Shilings for there Expenses In y^e affairs of John Bedorthas Expences in his Late Sickness and James Dorchesters Circumstances &c And that they Pay out of the Same to Natha^l Atchinson for his Trouble one Day Going to Paucatuck in y^e affair. And ordered that the Same be Paid out of the Town Treasury. [III—376.]

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of y^e Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law on the 25th Day of Aug^t 1732. To Give orders and Instructions to the Treasurer of the s^d Town Respecting what money Is now Due from any Particular Parson or Parsons and to Pass Such Votes Respecting the Same as they Shall think proper also to Pass Proper votes for the Repairing the Court or Town House, also to accept of the Report of the Comtee appointed to take into Consideration the acc^{tt} of Disbursments &c In John Bedortha Dec^{ds} Late Sickness and to Pass Such votes Respecting the same as they shall think Proper.

Capt John Day was Chosen Moderatour

Voted that the Present Town Treasurer Deliver up to John Barber his bond and note he having Paid Five Pounds to y^e treasurer which y^e Town accept in full Discharge thereof.

Voted that the Treasurer of s^d Town Taking the advice of y^e Selectmen Delivered up Dan^l Baggs and Thomas Ingersols bond to y^e the s^d Town taking a bond of Pelatiah Hitchcock in Liew thereof.

[III—377.]

Voted that L^t James Warriner Luke Hitchcock and Wm Warriner be a Comtee to take Effectual Care that all Such Repairs as are Necessary about the Town House be as Soon as may be Effected and that the Charge thereof be paid out of the s^d Town Treasury.

Nothing was act^d at this Meeting Respecting the Report of the Comtee appointed to take Into Consideration the act of Disbursm^{ts} In John Bedortha Dec^d Late Sickness.

Att A Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Qualified and Assembled according to Law on the 30th Day of November Anno: Dom: 1732.

To Grant and Raise all Such Sums and Sums of moneys as shall be Judged Necessary for the defreying the Debts and Charges of said Town also to Give Instructions to the Treasurer of Said Town Respecting the money that is Still outstanding and Due from any Person or Persons to the Said Town and to Pass Such votes Respecting the Same as shall be thought Necessary, also to accept of the Report of the Committee appoint^d to make up Acc^{ts} with the Treasurer of said Town, and to Pass Proper votes Respecting the Same.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r was Chosen Modertatour.

Granted to John Worthenton John Ely & John Burt for there Service as Trustees two years Past forty Shillings to Each [III—378.]

Granted For the Support of the Grammar School the Sum of Fifty Pounds.

Granted for the Support of the Schools on the West Side of the Great River Thirty Pounds.

Granted for the Support of the School at Longmeadow Twenty five pounds.

Granted for the support of the poor Sixty Pounds.

Granted For Ringing the Nine Clock Bell three pounds

to be Disposed off according to the Select mens Discretion.

Granted to John Worthenton For Paper and Glass Six Shillings and Four Pence.

Granted to Wm Warriner for his Extraordinary Trouble about the Crowfoots Twenty shillings and for his trouble about Cornelius Webbs wife Nine shillings And for Two Load of Stone for the Court House Sixteen Shillings.

Granted to Jonathan Church for his Bull one year Forty Shillings.

Granted to Henry Wright for the use of one Bull the year Past twenty Shillings and for two Bulls Three years Past twenty shillings.

Granted to Increase Sikes Jun^r for the use of his Bull the year Past one pound Ten Shillings.

Granted to James Warriner Jun^r for Two Days Preambulation ten Shillings.

Granted to Thomas Mirick Jun^r Joseph Wilistone Jun^r Joseph Millar David Chapin Jonathan Chapin Wm Smith Jonathan Miller Jonathan Taylor and Thomas Colton for one Day Each for Preambulation to Each of them five Shillings.

Granted to David Burt Jun^r for the use of his Bull the year Past Forty Shillings.

[III—379.]

Granted to Benja Chapin for the use of his Bull the year Past forty Shillings.

Granted to Wm Colton for the use of his Bull the year Past Forty Shillings.

Granted to Benja Smith Sen^r for the use of his Bull the year Past the Sum of Forty Shillings.

Granted to Widw Jehannah Colton for the use of her Bull the year Past one pound Ten Shillings.

Granted to Jonathan Chapin for the use of his Bull the year Past Thirty five Shillings.

Granted to Ebenezer Hitchcock for the Use of his Bull the year Past thirty five shillings.

Granted to Eben^r Parsons Jun^r the Sum of one Pound five Shillings for the use of his Bull the year Past.

Granted to Joseph Ely junr for the use of his Bull the year Past Twenty five Shillings.

Granted to Natha^l Dumbleton for the use of his Bull the year Past forty Shillings.

Granted to Christian Vanhorne for the use of his Bull the year Past forty Shillings.

Granted Widw Martha Ferry for the use of her Bull the year Past forty Shillings.

Granted to Jonathan Stevenson for the use of his Bull the year Past Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Benja Brooks for the use of his Bull the year Past forty Shillings.

Granted to Joseph Morgan for Carrying Joseph Hodge out of Town Seven Shillings.

[III—380.]

Granted to Pelatiah Glover Jun^r for mending the School House Glass on the West Side the Great River Six Shillings.

Granted for the Support of a School to the Inhabitants of Paucatuck and Tattum the Sum of Five Pounds and to be paid to Ebenezer Millar Sen^r as it Becomes Due.

Granted for the Support of a School at the Upper Chicupe Sum of Five Pounds and to be Paid as it becomes Due to John Chapin.

Granted for the Support of a School at Ireland Four pounds and to be paid as it becomes Due to Joseph Ely Sen^r

Granted for the Support of a School at Agawam Six Pounds and to be paid as it Becomes Due to Tilly Mirick.

Granted to Wm Pynchon Jun^r for his Services as Town Treasurer this year three pounds.

Granted to John Ely for Repairing the School House on the West side the Great River thirteen Shillings.

Granted for the Defreying the Charges of Wolves and Wild Catts Twenty Pounds.

Granted for Contingent Charges Ten Pounds of Which the Selectmen are ordered to Pay what shall be Due to the Present Town Assessors for there Service as Assessors this year.

Granted to Thomas Field Six Pound Six Shillings and Eight Pence being a fine he Paid Into the Treasury of said Town Which the Town Remit to him.

Voted that all Grants of money made at this Meeting be Paid out of the Treasury of said Town.

Voted that the Treasurer of the said Town Discharge Isaac Frost from the Paym^t of One Years Interest Due on his bond to the Town In Consideration of his Extraordinary Difficulty by Sickness Lately In his Family.

[III—381.]

Voted that the Treasurer of said Town Put In Suit at the next May Court all Bonds from such Persons as are Indebted to the Town that fail of Paying there Interest Due on there Bonds, before the time of Serving writts be Past for that Court. And that Christ^r Jacob Lawton be Sued for both Principal and Interest Due on his Bond In Case he Pays not the Same by the time aforesaid.

Voted to Remit to Wm Pynchon Esq^r the Sum of twenty Pounds Due by his note of that Sum to the Town. and that Wm Pynchon Jun^r Treasurer of the Town Deliver the said note to the Said William Pynchon Esq^r being In Consideration of his Extraordinary Expence In the year 1731 as Representative of Said Town.

Voted that the Town Treasurer Discharge Capt John Mirick out of What he is Indebted to the Town the Sum of Three Pound Six Shillings In Consideration of So much Paid into the Town Treasury by Pelatiah Hitchcock.

The Report of the Comtee Appointed to make up acc^{ts} with Wm Pynchon Jun^r Treasurer of Said Town Setting forth that they had accordingly adjusted acc^{ts} with the said Treasurer and Find that the Ballance of Said acc^t In favour of the Town Is £174: 6 1-2 of Which the Said Treasurer Has In his Hands £82: 12 1-2 The Remaining Part being £91: 8: 6, is Still outstanding and Due for Sundry Persons mentioned In Said Report the Same Being Read; Voted that the Same be Accepted and allowed.

Voted that there be a Rate Raised and Levy'd on the free-

holders [III—382.] And other Inhabitants of Said Town the Sum of One Hundred and Seventy two pounds Five Shillings and four Pence as well there Polls as Estates (Rateable) And that the Present Assessors of Said Town Assess the Same In Due Proportion accordingly and that they order the Person or Persons to whom they committ the said Assessment^t to pay the Same to Wm Pynchon Jun^r Treasurer of Said Town or to his Successor In said office by the First day of March next for the Defreying the Debts of said Town.

Voted that the Selectmen order Such Abatem^t of Benja Brooks Jun^{rs} Rate In Luke Hitchcock Jun^{rs} Rate or any others therein Incert^d as In there Discretion may be thought objects of Charity by Poverty &c And upon there abating the Same so much be allowed the said Hitchcock out of what is Indebt^d to the Town.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law at Springfield on the Thirteenth of March Annoq: Dom: 1732-33.

To Choose all Such Town officers which the Law Provides Shall be Annually Chosen Sometime In the Month of March And also to Choose a man or men to make application to the General Sessions of the Peace to appoint a House of Correction or appoint the Goal to be a House of Correction, And also to appoint Proper votes for the Building a Pound on the West Side of the Great River.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r was Chosen Moderatour.

[III—383.]

William Pynchon Jun^r was Chosen Clerk and Treasurer of the Said Town for the Year Ensuing.

John Burt Luke Hitchcock 2^d John Ely James Warriner and Ebenez Warriner was Chosen Selectmen for the year Ensuing.

Saml Keep Jun^r Jonathan Church, James Bagg Nathal Bancraft and Joseph Stebbins were Chosen Constables in Said Town for the year Ensuinge.

Wm Warriner Sam^l Stebbins, Thomas Chapin & James

Mirick Sen^r were Chosen Tythingmen in s^d Town for y^e year Ensuing

Capt John Day Sam^l Keep and John Ferry were Chosen assessors for s^d Town in y^e year Enstuinge.

Henry Chapin Caleb Chapin Ebenz Ashley Jonathan Bagg junr Timothy Cooper Nathanal Ely Jun^r John Barber Jun^r Sam^l Mirick Ebenz Bliss Sen^r Ephraim Colton Junr Joseph Ashley Nathal Sikes Jun^r John Stebbins, John Stebbins Jun^r and Benja Sheldin were Chosen Fence Viewers In said Town for y^e year Ensuinge

Voted that Jonathan Church and Joseph Stebbins be Excused from Serving as Constables this year.

John Harmon Chosen Sealer of Leather In s^d Town for the year Ensuinge.

Benja Chapin, Dan^l Parsons, Obadiah Cooley Benja Morgan Joseph Cooley, Jonathan Ball Jun^r Jonathan Taylor, and Timothy Mackranny were Chosen Surveyors of Highways In Said Town y^e year Ensuinge.

Voted that the Present Selectmen take [III—384.] A view of the Pound on the West side of the Great River, and Either Cause the Same to be Repaired, or a New one to be Built there which they Shall think most Proper at the Charge of the Town.

Ebenz Hitchcock Chosen Constable In Said Town for the year Ensuing.

Eben^r Hitchcock Ap^d in the meeting and Declared that if he is Chosen Constable within Said Town within the Space of Seven years from this time, he would Serve again notwithstanding his being Chosen Now for that he was Hired to Serve this year by Jona Church and Joseph Stebbins.

Nothing acted Relating to appointing a man to make application to the Sessions about y^e House of Correction at this meeting.

Att a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield, Quallified and assembled according to Law May 16th Anno: Dom: 1733. For the Electing and Deputing one or more Persons to Serve for and Represent

the said Town at the Great and General Court or assembly appoint^d to be held at Boston on the 30th Instand Also to Pass Proper votes for the Discharging the Executors of the Last Will and Testam^t of Sam^l Ely De^{cd} from a bond made to Capt John Day and Compa Trustees of Said Town [III—385.] By the s^d De^{cd} the Sum thereon Due belonging to the Town, Also Pass votes for the Discharging of Henry Wright from the Paym^t of three Pounds Payable by a note to the Present treasurer In March Next Given for the Widw Crowfoots Thirds. Also to Give Instruction appoint^d to Repaire the Court House How the Same Shall be Done

Also to Pass votes How the Highway from the Mouth of Agawam River to Agawam House shall be Laid out, or whether they think it advisable to Have a Rhoad Laid there or not also Pass a vote for the Discharging Capt John Day for his Service as Representative for s^d Town Last year.

Mr Ebe^r Parsons Sen^r Chosen Moderatour.

Voted that Capt Wm Pynchon the Present Town Treasurer Deliver to Henry Wright the note he Gave for the Paym^t of £3 In March next In Consideration of y^e Widw Crowfoots Thirds she being Now Dec^d.

Voted that the Comtee Appointed to Repaire the Und^r Pinning of the Town or Court House, Cause the Same to be Done by Square Pillars Und^r Each Post on the Back Side the House and Near the Brook at Each End of the House with Good all Laid in Lime, to be Done as they Judge Needfull and all at the Charge of the Town.

Voted that Sarah Ely Widw and Nathl Ely Executors of Saml Ely Dec^{ds} Last Will be Discharged from the Paym^t of a Bond Conditioned for the Paym^t of £14:16:8 [III—386.] Upon Interest made to John Day and Compa Trustees Payable In April 1731 Upon there Giving the Treasurer of said Town a Rect of the Sum of £15 He is ordered to Pay them for Said Dec^{ds} Keeping School on the West Side of the Great River, and upon there Paying 8^s 8^d to the s^d Treasurer being the ballance of s^d bond the s^d £15 being Included and that the s^d Trustees hereby are Directed to Deliver the s^d bond to the

s^d Treasurer, and that they be and Hereby are Discharged from the Sum Contained in said bond and the said Treasurer is hereby Direct^d to Deliver said bond to s^d Executors upon there performing the Tenor of this vote.

The Question was Put whether the Town think it advisable that there be a Highway Laid out from the Mouth of Agawam River to Agawam Houses, it Passed in the Negative.

Voted That Wm Pynchon Jun^r Town Treasurer Send to Capt John Day out of the Treasury of said Town the Sum of Thirty four Pounds Ten shillings, If the Selectmen Together with said Treasurer Upon Enquiry Into the Debts of said Town Can think it may be done without manifest wrong to any Person to whom the Town is Indebted, and if not so much than what Conveniently may be, Taking said Days note to Repay the Same.

[III—387.]

Att a Meeting at Springfield of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law Aug^t the 24th Anno: Dom: 1733. To Choose a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} with the Present Town Treasurer, Also to Choose a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} with John Burt and Compa Trustees for the said Town Respecting the Towns Proportion of Interest money in their hands Also Pass proper votes for the Discharging ch^r Jacob Lawton's bond in the Present Town Treasurers hands also Pass votes for Remitting the Interest on James Morgans bond Payable in March Last, also Pass votes Relating to the Paymt^s of his other bonds for the future

Capt John Day was Chosen Moderatour.

Voted that the Present Selectmen be a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} with the Present Town Treasurer, and make Reporte.

Voted that L^t Pela: Bliss, Thomas Stebbins & Wm Pynchon Jun^r be a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} with John Burt and Compa Trustees, of the Town Interest money in their hands.

Voted that the Present Town Treasurer Deliver to Mr

John Worthenton Ch^r Jacob Lawtons bond now [III—388.] in Hands upon s^d Worthentons Giving his own bond made Payable to the s^d Treasurer for the use of s^d Town for the whole that is now Due on s^d Lawtons bonds Provided it be done in a Short time not Exceeding a month.

Voted that the Interest Due on James Morgans bond Payable in March Last be Remitted to him till the First of May, Last, and for that for the future the Interest that Shall be Due on all his other bonds made Payable in March from year to year be Remit^d to him from the time of there Paym^ts Respectively till the First of May then next following the Time of s^d Paym^{ts} and that the Treasurer of Said Town be Direct^d to observe and Conform accordingly.

Att a Town Meeting at Springfield of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law the 19th day of Novem^r Anno: Dom: 1733 For the Granting all such sums and sums of money as the Town are Indebted to any Parson or Persons, also for Granting and Raising Such a Sum of money as Shall be agreed on for the Defreying the Debts and Charges of s^d Town, also to accept the Report of the Comittee appoint^d to make up acc^{ts} with Capt Wm Pynchon Jun^r Treasurer of the s^d Town and to pass Proper Votes thereon [III—389.] Also to Pass Such Votes Relating to any Debts Due to Said Town as Shall be thought Proper, further to accept the Report of the Comtee Chosen to Examine the acc^{ts} of the trustees of our Part of the Sixty thousand Pound bank viz John Ely and Compa.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Moderatour.

Granted to James Warriner for 1 Load of Stone 3 Dayes & 1-2 Work and Expense at the Court House, and for Boards formerly one pound fourteen Shillings.

Granted to John Worthenton for one Quire Paper Two Shillings and Six Pence.

Granted to Ebenezer Hitchcock for the use of his Bull the year Past two Pound.

Granted to Jonathan Chapin for the use of his Bull the year Past twenty shillings.

Granted to Henry Wright for the use of his Bull the year Past Thirty five Shillings.

Granted to Benja Chapin for the use of his Bull the year Past forty Shillings.

Granted to L^t Pelatiah Bliss for boards and brick for the School House five shillings and two Pence.

Granted to Luke Hitchcock for Irons and Work at the Court House twenty shillings.

[III—390.]

Granted to Wm Warriner for Work at the Court House and Brick for the School House Eleven Shillings.

Granted to Increase Sikes Jun^r for the use of his Bull the year Past Two Pounds.

Granted to Simon Colton for the use of his Bull the year Past forty shillings.

Granted to Eben^r Warner for the use of his Bull the year Past Twenty Shillings.

Granted to John Burt for the use of his Bull the year Past One Pound.

Granted to Nathal Dumbleton for the use of his two Bulls the year past Three pounds.

Granted to Benjamin Stebbins Sen^r for the use of his Bull the year past the Sum of twenty Shillings.

Granted to John Ely for 16 Bushels of Lime for the Court House twenty six shillings.

Voted that all the Several Sums Granted at this Meeting for the Support of Schooling in any Part of the Town be paid as it becomes Due, and in Case it Happens that any of the Sum or Sums or such part thereof Granted to any Particular Part of the Town are Unpaid or appear not to be Due for schooling before the Town Meeting for Granting Town Charges Next year, the Same Shall be [III—391.] Appldy to Other Uses and that the Grants for the Same shall be forfeited from the Places to whom the Grants are made.

Voted that thirty shillings be Remitted to Caleb Parsons Late Constable out of his Town Rate, being so much Rated to Eliakim Cooley Jun^r being through a Mistake Ent^d in his

List and that the Treasurer of said Town be Discharged for the Same, Provided the said Cooley hath not Paid the same, but if he has the same to be Rembursed him out of the Town Treasury.

Granted for the Support of the Grammar School the Sum of Fifty Pounds

Granted for the Support of the School on the West side the Great River Thirty Pounds.

Granted for the Support of a School at Longmeadow Twenty five Pounds.

Granted for the Support of a school at a Place Called Ireland Four Pounds.

Granted for the Support of a School at the Upper Chicupee Five Pounds.

Granted for the Support of a school at the Lower Chicupoe Three Pounds.

[III—392.]

Granted to Capt Nathl Downing for two Dayes Preambulation formerly twelve shillings.

Granted to Christian Vanhorne for his trouble in tending Benja Stebbins Jun^r when Suspect^d to have had the Small Pox Some time Past ten shillings.

Granted to Wm Warriner for the use of his Bull the year Past fifteen shillings.

Granted to Amos Stiles for the use of his Bull the year Past two Pounds.

Granted to Wm Pynchon Jun^r for his Service as Treasurer for the Town this year five pounds.

Granted to Obadiah Cooley for Boards for the School House fifteen shillings.

Granted to Saml Warner for Work at the School House Fifteen Shillings.

Granted to Benjamin Waitt for 2 Dayes Work at the School House Seven Shillings.

Granted to Ebenz Warriner for one Day's Work at the School House three shillings Six Pence.

Granted to Wm Pynchon Esq^r for Nails for the School House two shillings and Six Pence.

[III—393.]

Granted to Jonathan Day for Brads for the School house Eleven Shillings and ten pence.

Granted to John Leonard and Ebez Day Sen^r for Building a New Pound on the West Side of the Great River Seven Pounds.

Granted to Joseph Ely Sen^r for the use of his Bull the year past forty shillings.

Granted to Joseph Ely Jun^r the sum of forty Shillings for the Use of his Bull the year past.

Granted to Wm Colton for the use of his Bull the year Past forty shillings.

Granted to Wm Pynchon Esq^r for the use of his Bull the year Past forty Shillings.

Granted to Benjamin Brooks for the use of his Bull the year Past Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Ebenezer Leonard for the use of his Bull two last years past Three Pounds.

Granted to Joseph Ashley Eleven Shillings and Eight Pence In Consideration of Benjamin Brooks, Jun^r Rates he Discharging Said Brooks.

Granted for the Defreying Charges of the Wolves and Wild Catts Ten Pounds.

[III—394.]

Granted For the Support of the Poor Fifty Pounds.

Granted for Contingent Charges the Sum of fifteen pounds out of which the assessors are to be paid for there services as assessors this year, and Joseph Millar for his Work at the Court House Acc^{ts} to be allowed by the Selectmen.

Voted that there be a Rate or assessment Raised and Levyed upon the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Said Town (Rateable by Law) as well there Poles and Estates Amounting to the Sum of One Hundred and forty Eight Pound four shillings and one penny, and that the Assessors of Said Town assess the Same in Due Proportion, ac-

ording to Law and to Comit the said assessment to the Constable of said Town with a warrant for Collecting the Same, and that the Same be Paid to Wm Pynchon Jun^r Treasurer of s^d Town or his Successor in s^d office by the Third day of March Next for the Defreying the Debts and Charges of said Town according to the Grants made for the Same.

Granted to John Hitchcock Sen^r for the use of his Bull the year Past Forty Shilings.

Granted to Christian Vanhorne for the use of his Bull the year Past Forty Shillings.

[III—395.]

The Report of the Comtee appoint^d to make up acc^{ts} with Capt William Pynchon Jun^r treasurer of the s^d Town being Present^d Setting forth that they had made up acc^{ts} wth s^d Treasurer and that the Ballance of his acc^{ts} in favour of the Town amounts to the Sum of £136:3:1, of which the Said Treasurer hath in his hands £64:16:3 the Remaining Part thereof being £71:6:10 is not in his hands but outstanding and Due from Sundry Constables &c the Said Report being Read, Voted that the Same be accepted and that the said Treasurer be Discharged of his acc^{ts} Saving that he is Still Accountable for the said ballance of £136:3:1.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield, Quallified and assembled according to Law the 3^d day of December Anno: Dom: 1733. For the Granting and Raising Such Further Sum or Sums of money as shall be thought Proper, And to Pass Proper votes Relating to the Payment of money, Due Either to the Town, or from the Town.

L^t Bliss Chosen Moderatour for this Meeting.

Granted to Ephraim Stiles for Ringing the Bell this year Three pound Five Shillings.

[III—396.]

Granted to Jonathan Chapin the Sum of Ten Shillings more for the use of his Bull this year Past.

Granted to Benjamin Smith Sen^r the Sum of Thirty Shillings for the use of his Bull the year Past.

Granted to Benjamin Sheldin Thirty Shillings for the use of his Bull the year Past.

Granted by a vote to the Inhabitants of Agawam the Sum of five pounds more for the Support of Schooling there and that there be allowed them with this Grant and the Grants Heretofore made them In the whole the Sum of Eleven Pounds for that End and to be Paid as it becomes Due to John White, Provided they Discharge the Town of all Grants heretofore made for that Purpose Saving the said Sum of Eleven Pounds.

Granted to the Inhabitants of Paucatuck the Sum of Three pounds Ten shillings for the Support of a School there and to be paid as it becomes Due to Ebenz Millar.

Voted that all Grants of money made at this meeting and the Last Town Meeting be Paid out of the Treasury of said Town.

Voted that the Sum of Twenty one Pounds Five Shillings be Raised and assessed upon the freeholders [III—397.] And other Inhabitants of Said Town as well there Poles and Estates Rateable and that the Same be Assessed accordingly and be Paid according to the same Directions for Raising money the Last Town Meeting.

Voted that John Worthentons bond be Delivered to Him Upon Thomas Fields Giving a bond to the Treasurer for what is Due thereon taking a Good Surety, with the advice of the Selectmen.

Att a Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and Regularly Assembled on the Second Tuesday of March being the 12th day Anno: Dom: 1733-4 To Choose Such officers as the Law Directs to Serve the Town for the year Ensuing, and to take Some Method to Erect a Work House if the Town Think Fit so to do, also to Choose a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer that Shall be Chosen also to Pass Proper votes for Regulating the Town Measures.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Moderatour.

Wm Pynchon Juner Chosen Clerk and Treasurer of s^d Town For the year Ensuing.

[III—398.]

L^t Pelatiah Bliss, Mr John Burt Mr Luke Hitchcock 2^d Mr Ebenezer Warriner and Mr John Ely Chosen Selectmen of s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

David Mirick, Ebenezer Hitchcock, Nathal Burt 2^d Jonathan Worthenton and Hezekiah Day Chosen Constables of said Town for the year Ensuing.

L^t John Ferree John Ely and Ephraim Colton Sen^r Chosen assessors of s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Benja Stebbins John Morgan Ephraim Bartlett and Timothy Nash Chosen Tythingmen of said Town for the year Ensuing.

Saml Barker, Nathal Willistone Saml Ball Josiah Leonard Jun^r Joseph Stebbins, Ebenezer Morgan, David Chapin John Chapin Jun^r Amos Stiles, Jonathan Cooley, Samuel Day, Simon Colton, Chosen Fence Viewers of s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Thomas Hale Saml Sikes Luke Hitchcock 3^d Nathal Mun Jun^r Saml Terry, Saml Morgan, Thomas Millar Sen^r Saml Bancraft and Henry Rogers Chosen Surveyors of Highways in s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

John Harmon Chosen Sealer of Leather in s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

[III—399.]

Voted That there be overseers of the Poor Chosen.

Deacⁿ Ebenezer Parsons, Tilly Mirick John Bagg Thomas Colton and Jonathan Chapin overseers of the Poor in s^d Town the year Ensuing

Thomas Terry Jun^r Chosen Hogg Reeve in s^d Town for the year ensuing.

Voted that Nathl Burt 2^d be Excused from Serving as Constable in s^d Town the year Ensuing he having Hired Timothy Nash to Serve in his Room.

Timothy Nash Chosen Constable in s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Voted that David Mirick be Excused from Serving as Constable, he having hired Eben^r Hitchcock to Do his Part of the Service.

Voted that the Selectmen be a Comtee to make up acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer before the Town Meeting for Granting Town Charges.

Voted that the Consideration of Erecting a Work House be Deferred.

Voted that Jos: Leonard Jun^r be Excused from Serving as a fence viewer having served Lately.

Benja Leonard Chosen Fence viewer in s^d Town the year ensuing.

[III—400.]

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Duly Quallified, and Regularly assembled on the 18th day of March Anno: Dom: 1733-4.

To Consider of Some Proper Measures to be taken Relating to the Ineroachments of the Town of Suffield on the s^d Town of Springfield and make Proper votes In order to Settle the Dividing Line between the Two Towns aforesaid and to Consider of the Report of the Comtee appointed to Lay out the outward Comons on the West Side of the Great River in Springfield and to make Proper votes for the Settlement of that Propriety and also to Choose Mesurer of Land, also to Pass votes about the Town Stock of Powder and Sett the Same and Gett a New Stock if it be thought Proper, and to Give Instruction to the Selectmen about Getting a Grammrar School Master with Regard to the Sum, also to Pass votes about the(overseers of the Poor whether them that were Chosen be Continued or not.

L^t Pelatiah Bliss Chosen Moderatour.

Voted that Wm Pynchon Esq^r John Leonard & Ebenezer Parsons Sen^r be a Committee to Confer with a Committee to be Chosen by the Town of Suffield about Running the Line between Springfield and Suffield, and that the [III—401.] Said Comtee Chosen at this Meeting be Directed with a Surveyor and Chainmen on oath Provided the Town of

Suffield will agree Hereto to Cause the Line to be Run between s^d Town according to the Stating the Same by the Grants of Suffield Township, and that the Committee make Report of there Doings hereunto know the Pleasure of the Town thereon, also voted that if the s^d Town of Suffield will not do anything Relative to the aforesaid vote that the Comtee Chosen by this Meeting be Directed and Impowered to Cause the said Line to be Run by a Surveyor on oath as aforesaid First Giving Notice to Suffield Thereof.

Voted that the Selectmen Give after the Rate of Fifty five Pounds a year to the Grammar School master if they Can't Get one Cheaper.

Nothing Further was Acted at this Meet'g.

[III—402.]

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Duly Quallified and Regularly Assembled May 15th 1734. To Choose a Representative, also to Choose Such Town officers as are Necessary in the Room of those who Refused when Chosen Last March Annual Meeting, also to Pass votes for the allowing Hoggs to Run and Go at Large being yoaked and Ringed as the Law Directs.

L^t Ephraim Colton Chosen Moderatour.

Capt Wm Pynchon Jun^r Chosen Representative.

Voted that Hoggs may Go at Large being Yoaked and Ringed as the Law Directs.

[III—403.]

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield, Duly Quallified and Regularly Assembled Novem^r 18th Anno: Dom: 1734.

1st To Receive the Report of the Comtee appoint^d to acc^{tt} with the Town Treasurer that So the State of the Treasury may be known and to Pass Proper votes thereon.

2dly To Consider what Sum or Sums of money is Needfull to be Raised for Defreying the Charges that Hath or may arise in said Town for this Present year and to Grant the Same.

3dly To Take Some Proper measures for Preventing any Inroachments by the Inhabitants of any of the Neighboring Towns, on this Town, Either with Respect to the land, Timber &c belonging to Said Town.

4thly To appoint Some Suitable Person to Preferr a Petition to the General Assembly to Obtain a Grant of Some Land for the Support of a Grammar School.

5thly To Choose a Comtee to take Proper measures to Remove any Incumbrances that Now are or Hereafter may be made upon any Street, Lane or Highway in the Town by Fences or otherways.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Moderator.

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| Granted for the Support of a Grammar School | \$55 |
| Granted for the Support of a School on the West Side of the River | 30 |
| Granted for the Support of a School at Long-meadow | 25 |
| Granted to Wm Pynchon Jun ^r for his Services as Town Treasurer one year | 5 |
| Granted to the Inhabitants of Upper Chiccupee for Support of a School and to be Paid as it becomes Due to John Chapin, the Sum of | 5 |
| | <hr/> |
| | £120 |

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Granted to the Inhabitants of the Lower Chiccupee and to be Paid as it becomes due to Henry Chapin the Sum of Four pounds.

Granted to the Inhabitants of Paucatuck and Tattum for Supporting a School there the Sum of Three pounds and to be paid when it becomes Due as the Selectmen shall order

Granted to the Inhabitants of Agawam for supporting a School there Eleven pounds, and to be paid as it becomes Due to John White.

Granted to Ephraim Colton for three dayes and Hafe assessing fourteen shillings.

Granted to the Inhabitants of the Place Cal^d Skipmugg

the Sum of Three pound and to be paid as it becomes due to Thomas Horton for Supporting a School there.

Granted to the Inhabitants at Ireland for Supporting a School there the Sum of Four pounds, and to be Paid as it becomes Due to Joseph Ely Sen^r

Granted to John Ely for four Dayes and halfe assessing Eighteen shillings.

Granted to John Ferry for six days assessing and for Paper Twenty five Shillings and five pence.

Granted to Henry Chapin for the use of his Bull this year one Pound ten Shillings.

Granted to Benja Brooks for the use of his Bull this year Two Pounds.

[III—405.]

Granted to Thomas Horton for the use of his Bull this year Two Pounds.

Granted to Wm Warriner for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

Granted to John Burt for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

Granted to Eben^r Hitchcock for the use of his Bull this year forty shillings.

Granted to Widw Abigail Parsons for the use of her Bull this year Fifteen Shillings.

Granted to John Horton for the use of his Bull this year one Pound ten Shillings.

Granted to Eben^r Warner for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

Granted to John Chapin for the use of his Bull this year Thirty five shillings.

Granted to Nathal Dumbleton for the use of his two Bulls this year Four pounds.

Granted to Abel Chapin for the use of one Bull this year Twenty Shillings.

Granted to Eben^r Warriner for the use of his Bull this year twenty shillings.

Granted to Benja Stebbins Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

[III—406.]

Granted to Nathal Ely Jun^r for the use of his Bull this year twenty shillings.

Granted to John Bagg for the use of his Bull this year twenty Shillings.

Granted to Joseph Ely Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

Granted to Nathl Hitchcock for the use of his Bull this year Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Ebenz Morgan for the use of his Bull this year Fifteen Shillings.

Granted to Eben^r Leonard for the use of his Bull this year forty shillings.

Granted to Henry Wright for the use of his Bull this year thirty five shillings.

Granted to Simon Colton for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

Granted to Amos Stiles for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

Granted to Nathal Burt Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year twenty Shilings.

Granted to Joseph Ely Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year forty shillings.

Granted to Caleb Chapin for the use of two Bulls this year 1733 twenty Shillings.

[III—407.]

Granted to Jonathan Stevenson for the use of two Bulls this year forty Shillings.

Voted that the Selectmen are hereby ordered notwithstanding any vote to the Contrary to ord^r the treasurer to Pay to Joseph Ely Sen^r four Pounds Granted Last year for Supporting a School at Ireland.

Granted to Timothy Dwight Esq^r fifty Shillings for Run-ning & Platting the Line between Springfield and Suffield.

Granted for Support of the Poor Fifty Pounds.

Granted for Contingent Charges ten pounds out of which the Assessors are to be Paid for making the Town Rate this year.

Granted for Defreying the Charges of Wolves and Wild Catts fifteen pounds.

Granted to Wm Pynchon Esq^r Eben^r Parsons and Joseph Leonard for two Days Each and John Leonard one Day, In Running the Line between Springfield and Suffield, Six Shillings P^r Day being in y^e whole forty two shillings.

Granted to Increase Sikes Nine Shillings and Six Pence for a Pair of Shooes for Sarah Stevenson.

Granted to Pelatiah Glover Jun^r Nine Shillings and Eight Pence for mending the School House Glass windows on the West side the River.

Granted to Joseph Millar four Shillings for Nails for the Repairs of the School House the West Side the River.

[III—408.]

Granted to Nathani^l Brewer for a Window frame for the School House West side the River two shillings.

Granted to Ebenez Parsons for shingles for the School House the West side the River Eighteen Pence.

Granted to John Ely four Shillings for Repairs at the School House West side the River.

Granted to Saml Keep for Repairing Longmeadow Pound ten Shillings.

Granted to Jonathan Ely for Repairing Longmeadow School House Six Shillings.

Voted that there be and is Hereby Granted a Rate or Tax amounting to the Sum of two Hundred Pounds, to be Raised and assessed upon all the Poles and Sstates Rateable by Law in the Town of Springfield. And that the Assessors of Said town assess and Proportion the Same according to Law, on the s^d Poles and Estates, and that they direct the Constable or Constables to whom they Comit the said assessment to Pay in the Same to Wm Pynchon Jun^r Treasurer of said Town or his successor in Said office, by the First day of March Next for Defreying the Debts and Charges of s^d Town according to the Grants made for the same.

Voted that the Selectmen and are hereby are directed to order the Paym^t of all Sums Granted at this meeting out of the Town Treasury for Discharging the same.

[III—409.]

The Committee Appointed to make up acc^{ts} with Captn Wm Pynchon Jun^r Treasurer of the Town of Springfield having Presented to this Meeting there Report Setting forth that they had attended the said service and upon the ballance of said Treasurers acc^{ts} there is Due to the Town the Sum of One Hundred and twenty five Pounds and Seven Pence half Penny, which the Comtee are of the Opinion that the s^d Treasurer is accountable for. Voted that the said Report be accepted and the s^d Treasurer is Discharged from his acc^{ts} Saving he is accountable for the s^d Sum of one Hundred and twenty five Pound and Seven Pence.

Voted that Capt Wm Pynchon Jun^r be and Hereby is Desired and Impowere^d in Behalfe of the Town of Springfield to Preferr a Petition to the General Court to obtain a Grant of some of the Unappropriated Lands in this Province the better to Enable the s^d Town to Support a Grammar School.

Voted that John Leonard James Phillips and Abel Leonard be a Comtee to Inspect and make Enquiry in the best manner they can into the Incroachments or Trespasses of the Inhabitants of the Neighbouring Towns on the Comon Lands Rights or Priviledges of the Inhabitants of this Town and Duly make Report to a Proper Meeting.

Voted That Saml Keep Tilley Mirick Tho Stebbins and Frances Ball be a Committee to take the Care [III—410.] And Inspection of the Boundarys between the Land of Particular Persons and the Highways appropriated in this Town according to Law.

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Duly Quallified and Regularly assembled on Tuesday the Eleventh day of March Anno: Dom: 1734-5 To Choose Such officers as the Law Directs to Serve the Town for the year Ensuing also to appoint a Comitee to make up and adjust acco^{ts} with the Treasurer

that shall be Chosen at this Meeting, also to Consider what is Proper to be done with Respect to John Crowfoots boy that was bound to Wm Colton Some years Past, also to Pass votes Relating to the Town Stock of Powder with Regard to have it Disposed off or Kept.

Wm Pynchon was Chosen Moderatour.

L^t Pelatiah Bliss Ebenz Warriner John Burt John Ely and Luke Hitchcock 2^d Chosen Selectmen for the year ensuing.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Clerk and Treasurer of s^d Town for the year ensuinge.

Japhat Chapin Saml Bliss Jun^r Joshua Field Nathal Ely & Josiah Day Chosen Constables in said Town the year ensuinge.

[III—411.]

Capt John Day Thomas Stebbins and Thomas Colton Chosen Assessors in Said Town for the year Ensuing.

Nathal Bliss Jun^r John Harmon and John Ely 3^d Chosen Tythingmen in said Town for the year Ensuinge.

Will^m Stebbins David Burt 2^d Timothy Bliss Christian Vanhorne Thomas Millar Sen^r Miles Morgan John Day Jun^r Danl Parsons Thomas Warriner Benjamin Chapin Jun^r and Jonathan Chapin & Saml Mirick Chosen Fence Viewers in said Town the year Ensuinge.

L^t John Burt Chosen Surveyor of Hemp and Flax in said Town the year Ensuinge.

Benjamin Colton Increase Sikes Jun^r Thomas Mirick 2^d Frances Ball Saml Day Isaac Morgan John White Caleb Chapin & Jonathan Cooley Chosen Surveyors of Highways in Said Town the year Ensuing.

Tilly Mirick Chosen Sealers of Leather in s^d Town the year Ensuinge.

Voted that the Present Selectmen be a Committee to make up acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer and make Report at the next Town Meeting for Granting Town Rates &c.

[III—412.]

Voted that in Consideration of the Uneasiness of John Crowfoot and Wm Coltons desire that the s^d Crowfoots son

Josiah may be Discharged from being his Prentice that the Selectmen be and hereby are Directed to Deliver up s^d Coltons Indenture made by the Selectmen heretofore upon said Coltons Delivering up his Indenture of s^d Josiah to the Selectmen.

Voted that the Selectmen at the Charge of the Town Provide Some Suitable Place in the meeting house for the Security and safe keeping of the Town Stock of Powder and ammunition and That the Treasurer Dispose of the Town Stock of Powder or such Part thereof as Shall be thought best to the best advantage he Can for the Town by Selling the Same, and the Produce thereof to be Disposed of by him to obtain a New Stock so far as it will Purchase.

Voted that Japhet Chapin and Saml Bliss Jun^r be Excused from serving as Constables this year they having hired a Man to Serve in there Room.

Pelatiah Hitchcock Chosen Constable in Said Town for the year Ensuinge.

[III—413.]

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield Quallified and assembled according to Law on the 15th day of May Annoque Dom: 1735. To Chose Such Persons to Serve as Town officers in the Room or Place of Such as were Chosen in March Meeting Last Past to Serve the Town in Respective offices and do Refuse the Same, and to Pass Such votes as may be Thought Proper to Recover the Fines of those that do Refuse to Serve in the office they were chose to—and to take into Consideration the Circumstances of Joseph Barker that is to Say with Regard to his Present Distressed Circumstances he Being Reduced to a Poor and Low Condition and he with his Family In a Suffering Condition, As also to pass votes for the Paying Steward Southgates Demands for Running the Line between Springfield and Brimfield, and Pass on the Survey thereof According to the Return made by the Persons appointed to Run the Same also to Pass votes for Reserving the Wood and Timber on the Training Place So Called on the East Side of the Great River.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Moderatour.

John Fowler Chosen Constable in the Room of Josiah Day Chosen In March Last who Refused, for the year Ensuinge. [III—414.]

Voted that Josiah Day be Excused from Paying a fine for Refusing to Serve in the office of a Constable he Having Hired a man to Serve in his Room.

John Colton Chosen Surveyor of the Highways in the Room of Jonathⁿ Cooley who Refused to Serve in s^d office.

Voted that the Selectmen order Such Supplys to Joseph Barker for his Support of him and his Family as they Shall Judge Necessary out of the Town Treasury.

Joseph Ball Chosen Tythingmen in the Room of John Ely 3^d who Refused to Serve in s^d office.

Voted that the Town Treasurer Take care that all persons who Refused to Serve to the offices Chosen Last March Pay their Fines.

Voted that the Sum of one Pound Sixteen Shillings and four Pence be Paid out of the Town Treasury to Steward Southgate In full of his Demands on this Town for Running the Line & between Springfield and Brimfield as by his acc^{tt} Presented to this Meeting and allow'd and that the Selectmen order the Paym^t thereof accordingly.

[III—415.] Springfield and Brimfield Line.

Hampshire SS: April 22^d 1735.

Surveyed Run Renewed and Preambulated the Line between the Town of Springfield and the Town of Brimfield beginning at a Heap of Stones by a Dead Pine tree old marked Standing a Little Northward of the Bay Path or (more commonly called) the Old Rhoad to which Heap of Stones we added and thence Run North by the Needle of the Surveying Instrum^t Unto Chiccupee in Which line we Raised and Renewed Sundry Old Marks and made and Erected many New ones Spotted the trees with an Axe and in the Spot Setting the Mark in the Margin —o—) with the Marking Iron vizt: from the s^d Heap of Stones we first marked a Little White Oak by a Pine Stump then next the bottom of

the Hill we marked a Pine Staddle and Laid Stones upon a Rock and Just over the Brook we Marked an ash Staddle then Next a Pine tree Standing on the South Side of the Country Rhoad and Laid a Heap of Stones on a flat Rock in the Rhoad and marked a Small White Oak Staddle with Letters then the Next is a white oak tree Old Marked & Renewed the Next a Great Chestnut tree and Stones by it then a Pine Stump and Stones by it then to a Poplar then to a white oak tree then to a black oak tree Old Marked and Renewed and Stones Laid by it, then to a Little white oak then over a Run of water to a white oak then to a Red oak Staddle then to a Small Pine a Little Westward of a Swamp and Small Pine meadow then to a Red Oak Staddle [III—416.] Then to a Tall Pine then three Small Chestnuts marked Successively then to a Tall Pine Going down the Hill then to a Monument of Stones Just over a Squechy Place then a Heap of Stones by a Narrow Swamp then to a Pine tree then to Pine Staddles then to a White oak Staddle going down the Hill then to a Monument of Stones on the Rocky Ledge Point of the Hill then Pine Staddle then to a Red Oak Staddle then to a Monument on a Flat Rock then to a white Oak over the Run then to a Staddle then to a Pine tree with Letters on Each Side near the River And Last to a Little Heap of Stones on the bank About 4 foot West of A Great Rock in the Brink of the River. From thence we Returned to where we began and Run South by the Needle Raising Sundry Old Marks—Monuments of Stones and Old Marked Trees to Which we added and Renewed and between the old marks we made and Erected many new ones most of the trees marked as abovesaid viz: from the First mention'd boundary we found an old Pine Stump old marked and we Renewed it then we marked a Great White Oak tree then a Small Pine then a Tall Pine on the Brow of the Hill Going down to a small brook Called Castallion Brook then next a Heap of Stones on a Rock and as a heap of Stones then over a Pine Hill we marked Several Pine trees then over Twelve Mile brook and then over a Little Plain to a white oak Old

Marked and Renewed being on the South Side of a Narrow Poplar Swamp then to another White oak there up [III—417.] a Hill to a Monument of Stones on a Rock Near the North End of the Hill then to another Monument of Stones on a Small Rock Higher up the Hill then to a Pine tree then Small Pine Staddle then to a Chestnut tree then to a White Oak near the Swamp then to a smaller white oak over the Narrow Point of the Swamp then up a Small Brook we marked Several Trees Thro Swampy Land to a Great White Pine otherways called Spruce old Marked and Renewed then to a Chestnut tree Edge of the Swamp then through the Swamp and Swamp land for about fourscore Rods we we marked Several trees and came to an old Monument of Stones to which we added a small white oak marked Standing about a Rod South of it which we Renewed then next we marked a black oak staddle then a Line tree then to an oak over the Run of water then to a Poplar old marked in the North Edge of a swamp then to a Poplar in the South Edge then to a black oak and heap of Stones by it then to a black oak then to a Chestnut, then to a Monument of a small Rock then to a white oak and stones on the East side then to a white oak then to a Dead white oak and Stones by it then to a heap of Stones then to Stones on Rock then we marked Several Staddles and Came to an old Monument on the Top of the Rocky Hill which we Called the End of the Third Mile from where we began Thence Down the Hill to a Great White oak by a spring then to another White oak then to Stones on a Great Rock then to a Monument on a Ledge of Rocks then to a Great Chestnutt [III—418.] then to a Pine on the Hill Chop't on the West side then a heap of stones then to a Poplar in the Narrow swamp then two Heaps of Stones to a white oak on a Rock to Stones on a Rock by black oak Staddle to monument on a Rock then to a small Poplar on the Bear Hill then to a Heap of Stones on a small Rock on the Brow of the Hill where we left off and Returned Home, And on the 6th day of May 1735 we began where we Left and Continued our said line on the

Course aforesaid and Going down the Hill we made Several Monuments of Stone upon Rocks then we marked a White oak Just over a Path Called Longmeadow Path we marked a Beach Edge of the Brook then a small Ash Just over the Next Bigger Brook being both branches of Scantick then Going up the Next Hill we marked two oak Staddles and Put Stones about them a Pine Staddle and Stones at the Root then a Poplar Staddle then Next a Walnut Bush Trimmed and Stones about it then Next we came to a Large old Monument on a Rocky Ledge West End of a Hill we Renewed then we next found a white oak tree old Marked Just below the Hill then to a Tall black tree old marked then to a Monument of Stones at the foot of a Little Ledgy Hill in which had been Set a Stake which we Called the End of the Sixth Mile from the Old Rhoad then a Monument [III—419.] In the Said Ledge Hill then over Rocky flatland we found a Small white marked & Renewed it, then Next we marked a black oak Staddle Just over a Small Brook then a Walnut Staddle then Next we found a white oak tree old marked Just by the Next Brook & Renewed it then we went up a Steep Hill and marked Several trees viz: a Chestnut a black oak and Some Small Staddles then over the said Hill being a woody Hill we marked Several Trees and Toward the South Side of it we came to a Monument upon a Rocky Ledge then to a black oak Staddle then next to a white oak then a Small Chestnut and finally to a Monument of Stones among Some Small Chestnut trees old marked facing towards it Standing Round it to which monument we added and Laid a flatt Stone on the Top and Engraved on it the West End S. P. for Springfield and upon the East End B. R. for Brimfield and C on the South Side and P on the North Side which s^d Monument being in or Near the Province Line we there Ended our Line of Preambulation on the Seventh day of May Anno: Dom: 1735 which said Preambulation and Renewall of the Said Line was began and Ended with the assistance and in the Presence of Parties Sent from both Said Towns, and by their Request to me

Stewart Southgate, Surveyor.

Whereas we James Warriner Jun^r and Ebenezer Hitchcock being appointed by the Selectmen of the Town of Springfield and Eben^r Graves [III—420.] And Nathal Hitchcock Selectmen of the Town of Brimfield after Legall warning Given and rec^d, We Met and began Preambulation of the Line or boundary between the Said Towns and having now Ended and Finished the Same according as it is Described and Set forth by the Surveyors Return above written we do hereby Covenant Consent and agree on the Part and behalfe of our Respective Towns to Settle Establish and Confirm the Same as a Line or boundary for Each Town according as it is Above Described Renewed & Set forth by Said Return of which we have herewith made Duplicates and Set to our hands this Seventh day of May Anno: Dom: 1735.

James Warriner 2^d

Eben^r Hitchcock

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Eben^r E Graves

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Nathanl Hitchcock

Att a Meeting at Springfield of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Town Duly Quallified & Regularly assembled May 15th 1735 Voted that the aforegoing Line Described in the Return as aforesaid be the Dividing Line between Springfield and Brimfield Provided the Town of Brimfield Come into a vote of the Like Tenour and that the s^d Return be Recorded in Springfield Town Records with this vote.

Att Wm Pynchon Jun^r Cler of s^d Town of Springfield

Entered from the Original accordingly and Exad

Pr Wm Pynchon Jun^r Cler of y^e Town of Springfield.

[III—421.]

Att a Meeting at Springfield of the freeholders and Other Inhabitants of the Town of s^d Springfield Duly Quallified and Regularly assembled for the Choice of a Representative to Represent the s^d Town at the Gen^l Court May 15th 1735.

The Selectmen having the Directions of y^e Meeting Di-

rected the freeholders and other Quallified Inhabitants to bring in their votes for Some Suitable Person to Serve for And to Represent the s^d Town at the Great and General Court to be holden at Boston on the Last Wednesday of May Instant Pursuant to the Sherriffs Precept to them Direct^d who after having Rec^d the votes and Sort^d them Declar'd that Wm Pynchon Jun^r Esq^r was Chosen by a Great Majority and then Dismissed the Meeting.

[III—424.]

Att a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield duly Quallified and Regularly Assembled at Springfield the 10th day of November Anno: Dom: 1735. To Make all Such Grants of money to all Persons to whom the Town is Indebted, and to Order the Payment of the Same, And to Pass all Such votes as Shall be agreed on for Raising and Assisting all Such Sum or Sums on the Inhabitants of Said Town for the Defreying the Debts and Charges in Said Town, also to accept the Report of the Committees appointed to adjust acc^{ts} with the Present Town Treasurer and Pass Proper votes thereon.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Moderatour.

Granted to John Worthenton for one Quire of Paper Two Shillings and Eight Pence.

Granted to John Chapin for the use of his Bull this year forty shillings.

Granted to Ebenezer Warriner for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings.

Granted to Joseph Ely Sen^r for the use of his Bull this year forty Shillings

Granted to Jonathan Chapin and John Chapin Jun^r five Shillings Each of them for one day Each Preambulating.

Granted to Capt Isaac Colton for one day Preambulation and Expenses Eight Shillings and Six Pence.

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Granted to Saml Keep Jun^r for one day Preambulating Six Shillings.

Granted for the Support of a Grammar School the Sum of Fifty five Pounds.

Granted for the Support of a School on the West Side of the Great River Thirty Pounds.

Granted for the Support of a School at Longmeadow twenty three Pounds.

Granted to the Inhabitants of the upper Chiccupee for Schooling and to be Paid as it becomes due for that End, to Jonathan Chapin the Sum of Five Pounds.

Granted to the Inhabitants of the Lower Chiccuppee the Sum of Three Pounds and to be Paid as it becomes due to Benjamin Chapin for Supporting a School There.

Granted to the Inhabitants Southward of Agawam River for Support of Schooling the Sum of twelve Pounds, and the Present Comtee for the Precinct on the West Side of the Great River are Hereby Desired to take the Inspection and Regulation of the School there for the best advantage of the Inhabitants as near as may be, and that the Same Sum be paid as it becomes due for that End, to Saml Mirick.

Granted to Sarah Horton for keeping School formerly at Skipmugg the Sum of forty Shillings and that the Same be Paid to Thomas Horton for her use.

[III—424.]

Granted to the Inhabitants at the Place called Ireland for Supporting a School there the Sum of four pounds and that the Same be Paid to Joseph Ely Sen^r as it becomes due for that End, and that all Grants of money made them heretofore for that End be void.

Granted to the Inhabitants of Skipmuck the Three Pounds Granted them last year for Schooling there and that the Same be paid to Thomas Horton as the Selectmen Shall Order.

Granted to Christian Vanhorne for the use of his Bull this year the Sum of twenty Shillings.

Granted to Benjamin Stebbins for the use of his Bull this year forty shillings.

Granted for supporting a School from Luke Hitchcock 2^d to Ebenezer Hitchcocks Inclusive four Pounds and to be Paid as it becomes due to Luke Hitchcock afores^d Also Granted

for the Supporting a School from Deacⁿ Henry Burts to John Hancocks Inclusive the Sum of four pounds and to be Paid as it becomes due for that End to John Burt.

Granted to Joseph Leonard for two day's Preambulation ten Shillings.

Granted to John Leonard for one days Preambulation five Shillings.

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Granted to Saml Day for one days Preambulation five Shillings.

Granted to Ebenezer^r Miller Jun^r for one day's Preambulation five shillings.

Granted to Jonathan Taylor for one day's Preambulation Six Shillings.

Granted to Amos Taylor for one Days Preambulation Six Shillings.

Granted to John Burt for the use of his Bull two Pounds.

Granted to Wm Warriner for the use of his Bull two Pounds.

Granted to Ephraim Stiles for Ringing the Nine Clock Bell one year Three Pounds five shillings.

Granted to Abel Chapin for his Bull Thirty Shillings.

Voted that the Sum of Six Pounds be and hereby is Granted for Defreying the Charges of Building a Pound at Agawam, to be paid by and as the Selectmen shall order.

Granted to Nathal Dumbleton for his Bull forty shilings.

Granted to Joseph Ely Jun^r for the use of two Bulls Thirty five Shillings.

Granted for Support of the Town fifty Pounds.

Granted to Thomas Horton for the use of his Bull thirty five shillings.

Granted to Ebenezer Hitchcock for the use of two Bulls four Pounds.

Granted to Eben^r Hitchcock and James Jun^r for 4 days Each and Expences Preambulating between Springfield and Brimfield fifty three Shillings.

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Granted to Henry Chapin for the use of his Bull Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Thomas Stebbins for Eleven days assessing forty four shillings

Granted to Capt John Day for Nine days assessing Thirty Eight Shillings.

Granted to Thomas Colton for three days assessing twelve shillings.

Granted to John Ferre Eleven Shillings and two Pence to Ephraim Colton Eight Shillings to John Ely Ten Shillings for there Copying the Country List and Paper.

Granted to Wm Pynchon Jun^r Esq^r for his Services as Town Treasurer this year five Pounds.

Granted to John Horton for the use of his Bull two Pounds

Granted to Nathanl Burt for the use of his bull Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Capt Isaac Colton for the use of his Bull thirty Shillings.

Granted to John Bagg for the use of his Bull two Pounds.

Granted to Ebenezer^r Morgan for the use of his Bull thirty Shillings.

Granted to Josiah Leonard for the use of his Bull Thirty Shillings.

Granted to Joseph Leonard for the use of his Bull Thirty five Shillings.

Granted to Saml Chapin for the use of his Bull Twenty five Shillings.

Granted to Thomas Terry for the use of his Bull fifteen Shillings.

Granted to Simon Colton for the use of his Bull forty Shillings.

Granted to David Burt 2^d for the use of his Bull forty Shillings.

Granted to Ebenezer Leonard Sen^r for the use of his Bull Twenty Shillings.

Granted to Saml Mirick for the use of his bull twenty Shillings.

Granted to Defreying the Charges of Wolves and Wild Catts ten Pounds.

Granted to the Inhabitants of the upper and Lower Chicubees that is, to those of them that have been at the Expence of Erecting a Pound there the Sum of Four Pounds, there acco^t of the Same to be allow'd by the Selectmen, and to be Paid as they Shall order.

Granted for Contingent Charges Ten Pounds, out of which the Assessors are to be Paid for making the Town Rate, there accompt being allowed by the Selectmen.

Granted to the Inhabitants of Paucatuck and Tattum for Supporting Schooling there and to be Paid as it becomes due to Ebenezer^r Miller four Pounds.

In Answer to the Petition of Luke Hitchcock 2^d and Samuel Warner and Others Praying that four Pounds may be Granted for aid towards the Support of Schooling from s^d Hitchcock to Ebenezer^r Hitchcock Inclusively, and also that four Pounds may be Granted for Schooling from Henry Burt to John Hitchcock Inclusively. Voted that the Same be and hereby is Granted accordingly and that the Said Sums be Paid four Pounds thereof to Said Luke Hitchcock and the other four Pounds to John Burt, as they Respectively become due.

The Report of the Committee appointed to adjust accompts with Willm Pynchon Jun^r Esq^r Treasurer of the Town of Springfield Setting forth that the ballance of said acco^{tt} Due to the Town is £145:4:10 1-2, whereof he hath in his hands [III—428.] The Sum of £95:8:11 1-2, the Remaining Part there being outstanding and due from Sundry Constables which is £49:15:11, being Presented to this Meeting and Read, voted that the Same be accepted and that the Said Treasurer be and hereby is Discharged from all his Accounts as Treasurer afores^d Saving That he is further Accountable for the said Ballance of £145:4:10 1-2 to the Town.

Voted that all the Several Sums of money Granted at this Meeting be paid out of the Town Treasury, and that the Selectmen Order the Paym^t thereof Pursuant to the Grants.

Voted that the Sum of One Hundred and Seventy Pounds be by a Rate or Assessment Raised and Levy'd on all the Poles and Estates Rateable In this Town, and that the Same be Paid Into the Town Treasury To Wm Pynchon Jun^r Esq^r Treasurer or his Successor in Said office by the Last day of March Next and that the assessors of Said Town make the s^d Assessment and Rate accordingly and order the Paym^t accordingly by the Respective Constable or Constables to whom they Commit the Same.

[III—429.]

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield, duly Quallified, and Regularly assembled on the Ninth day of March Anno: Dom: 1735-6, be there annual Town Meeting.

The Particulars Incerted in the Warrant for Calling Said Meeting as follows: To Make Choice of Such officers to Serve the Town for the Ensuing year, as the Town is Obliged by Law, as also the Receiveth of the Selectmen of their Laying out a Highway near the upper End of Longmeadow and Proper votes thereon as by there Report Dated the 30th May Last appears. Also to Grant to Wm Pynchon Jun^r Esq^r Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence Expended by him in the Service of the Town, as also to appoint a Committee to make up Acc^{ts} with the Town Treasurer that Shall be then Chosen, as also to take into Consideration the Circumstances of Thomas Lamb and make Proper votes thereon and to take Some methods to Procure Wood for the Grammar Schools and other schools as there may be occasion, as also Consider Daniel Parsons Desire for Erecting a Grist mill on Chiccupee River and make Proper votes thereon.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Moderator of s^d Meeting.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Clerk, and Treasurer of Said Town for the year Ensuinge.

John Burt, Luke Hitchcock 2^d Wm Pynchon Esq Capt John Day and Benjamin Chapin, Chosen Selectmen of s^d Town for the year Ensuinge.

David Burt Sen^r Thomas Mirick Jun^r Luke Hitchcock 3^d Saml Ely, and Ebenz^r Cooke Chosen Constable in s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

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Luke Hitchcock 2^d Capt Isaac Colton and John Ely Chosen Assessors in Said Town for the year Ensuing .

Thomas Field Ebenz^r Miller Jun^r and John Ferre Junr Chosen Tythingmen in Said Town for the year Ensuing.

Josiah Leonard, John Colton, Joseph Leonard Jun^r, Thomas Day Ebenz^r Colton, Ebenz^r Day Junr Thomas Glover Joseph Wilistone Jun^r Nathl Warriner Pelatiah Morgan Jun^r Saml Barker Elisha Chapin Isaac Chapin and Abel Leonard Jun^r Chosen Fence Viewers in Said Town for the year Ensuing.

L^t John Burt Chosen Surveyor of Hemp and Flax in Said Town for the year Ensuing.

John Cooley Chosen Sealer of Leather in s^d Town for the year Ensuing.

Granted to Wm Pynchon Jun^r Esq^r the Sum of Thirteen shillings and Six Pence for Coppys about the Town Bounds and money he Paid for one Hale being overated, and voted that the Selectmen order the Payment of the same out of the Town Treasury accordingly.

[III--431.]

Voted that the Present Selectmen be a Comtee to adjust and Settle acco^{ts} with the Town Treasurer Some time before the meeting for Granting Town Charges next fall, and that they make Report to the Town of the Same.

Voted That the Selectmen furnish Thomas Lamb (who Lately has been Turn'd upon the Town by Saml Lamb as one of the Poor) with food and Rayment according to there best Discretion, and that they Place him out in Some good family that he may be taken Care of, and that L^t Pelatiah Bliss Wm Pynchon Jun^r Esq^r and Thomas Stebbins be a Committee to make the best Enquiry they Can Whether there being Estate that belongs to Said Thomas Lamb and what Methods may be taken to Obtain it, and How to Oblige the Said Saml

Lamb or Others to Support the Said Thomas Lamb if any there be that ought So to do and to answer all Charges the Town may be at in the affair, and make Report to the Towne.

The Report or Return of the Selectmen of there Laying out of a Highway Towards the upper End of Longmeadow is as follows: viz: We the Subscribers being Desired (by Sundry Persons Inhabitants of Longmeadow in Springfield viz: Thomas Field Joseph Cooley Henry Woolcott Jonathan Cooley and Amos Stiles) to Lay out a Highway Towards the upper End of s^d Precinct and Partly Through land Granted to Benjamin Cooley February 2^d 1657 as appears [III—432.] To us by an Attested Copsy out of Springfield book of Records as also Provision made in Said Grant for a Sufficient Highway In Auswer therefore to the above said Desire we have laid out a Highway beginning at the Great River on the North Side of the aforesaid Grant of land Running East to the foot of the Hill one Rod and a Halfe wide bounding North upon land formerly Granted to John Lumbard from thence Southerly two Rods wide until it Comes to the Top of the Hill being about the Southerly Side of Said Cooleys Grant Springfield May 30, 1735.

Pelataiah Bliss John Burt, John Ely Eben^r Warriner Luke Hitchcock 2^d Selectmen of Springfield.

Which Said Report having been Read and Considered Voted that the Report be so far accepted as that the Said way be approved as a Highway, Provided that Thomas Field Henry Woolcott Jonathan Cooley Joseph Cooley and Amos Stiles the Persons Desiring the same Pay all Charges that may happen by means thereof.

Upon Reading the Request of Danl Parsons Desiring the Town Would Grant him the Priviledge of Setting up a Grist Mill upon Chiccupee River on the First or Second Falls above Riding Place at the falls. Provided he Shall finish Said Mill fitt for Service within two years after the Grant. Voted that Benjamin Chapin Capt John Day and Luke Hitchcock Repair [III—433.] to the Place aforementioned and view

the Same and make Report to the Town what they think may be best for the Town to do in the affair at the Charge of Said Persons.

Att a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Springfield duly Quallified assembled on the fourteenth day of May Anno: Dom: 1736.

To Take into further Consideration How the money Lately Granted for the Supporting of Schooling to the Southward of Agawam River and Order how the Same Shall be Disposed of the former Directions Proving Ineffectual as also to Pass Some Orders and directions for the better Regulation of the School or Schools there. Also to take into Consideration the Distressed Circumstances of [III—434.] of Jonathan Warriners wife and to give order to the Selectmen what methods Shall be Taken for her Reliefe in her Present Illness, and to do what shall be thought Proper with Regard to him and his family.

Wm Pynchon Esq^r Chosen Moderatour.

Voted that Mr Pelatiah Morgan Benjamin Stebbins and Joseph Miller be added to the Comittee appointed to take the Inspection and Regulation of the School Southward of Agawam River for the best advantage of the Inhabitants as near as may be and that the Determination of the Majority of the said Comtee (None Southward of Agawam to have a vote in the affair) Shall be Conclusive and that the money Granted for Schooling there be ordered by the Selectmen agreeable to the former vote.

Voted that the Selectmen be Directed to take Such measures as they think needfull in order to Effect the Cure of Jonathan Warriners wife Her Husband having Lately applied to them for Reliefe in the affair and that the Charge be born by the Town.

[End of Volume Three.]

RECORDS ENTERED OUT OF CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER.

Note by the Transcriber.—On the fly leaf in the back part of Volume Three are the entries below:—

[In the handwriting of Jonathan Burt.]

Joseph Bodurtha give an aCount of a Stray hors of about foure years old as he geusseth of a Browneish Couler Brand-ed with a K on his neare Shoulder a halfee peny cut on the near ear taken up by him the 24th day of December 1698.

Recorded by mee Jonathan Burt Towne Clerke.

Nathanyel Mun gives an account of his Taking up of a stray hogg or Swine the 24 day of ffebruary 1698 which hog or swine is marked with slitt toward the Top of the fore side of the neire ear a Black footspot on both sides of his head and a black spot on his Taile two sandish spots on his back recorded by me Jonathan Burt, March 1st 1698-9

May 13, 1703: Samuel Ely of Springfield this day gives an account of his taking up a stray horse, out of the Genll ffield on the West side of the great River, of a Bay Colour branded on the near Shoulder with N & marked on the Near Ear with a little Notch on the forehead side of the top of the Near Ear.

recorded by me John Holyoke, Clerk for s^d Town.

Several of the Town Clerks made entries out of the order as the book was paged. The following were written upon unoccupied pages at the beginning of the book. They are printed as follows in this volume:—

On the 5th day of October in the yeare 1675, a day to be kept in memory by posterity, when the Barborus heathen made an Asault on this poore Towne, killed two men and a woman and wounded Several: one of which dyed soune after, Burned downe 29 dwling howses and Barns, much Corne and hay, but god did wonderfully preserve us or we had beene a

prey to there teeth. god in his good providence so ordered it that an Indian gave Intelygence of the enemis designe to fall on this Towne whereby we escaped with our lives for which we should give god the glory.

JONATHAN BURT, being an eye witnes of the same.

at a Towne meetin may 9th 1699 leiftenant John hitchcock and leiftenant Abell Wright weare appoynted to lay out the highways at Skipmucke who give an account of there Settlement of those high ways by them the 13th day of november 1699 as followeth

from the Tople of the hill at the hyer end of the Towne till it come to the lot of Abel wright Juny^r it is to be 20 rods wide and from Abell wrights lot downe to the Brooke by widdow hortons it is 4 rods wide and from the Brooke cross the necke to the river 2 rods wide from this high way runs a high way eastward to the hyer wading place Betwixt Rowland Thomas his land and Abell wrights land to the Brooke 5 rods wide and from the Brooke by Liftenant wrights ffence to the Brow of the hill 5 rods wide till it com to the hyer wading plase and from the Corner of Leiftenant wrights Lot till it come to the Bay path 5 rods wide and from that highway at the hier end of the Towne that goeth to goodwife hortons from it runes a high way of 3 rods wide on the Top of the hill to goodwife Bemons and the high ways over the River as they now are to be the stated high ways and from the reare of the lots at the middle Causie to the ffoote of the hill at Skipmuck 20 rods and from thence to Colonel pynchons at Skepmuck 10 rods and from thence by the Brooke till it come to the high way at Leiftenants wrights lot 3 rods.

We find upon record in the record Booke of henry gregory having had a lotment of 3 acres of home lot from the Street to the great River: Comparing Thomas Stebbins record with what is writen in the old Towne Booke baring date January 16th 1638 namely It is ordered that the 3 rod of ground that lyes Betwixt John Woodcocks pall and goodman gregorye lott shal be a propriated 2 rod of it to good-

man gregory and on rod to Richard everit resigning 40 rod for a place for the meeting howse which is to be allowed out of goodman gregorys lott: goodman gregory sold his lott to the Towne and in may first 1645 the Town gave s^d lot to Thomas Stebbins on the Conditions following that he Should allowe six rods square for the meeting hows place and on rod in Breadth for a way to the trayninge place lately purchased of him and ffrences Ball but we find no mention of that rod that was given to Richard everit who deserted the Towne, we s^opose it fell into the Town hands againe, it being a way of great Improvement for Carting and al so for the way to the burying place we who weare apoynted to look after high ways did June 7th 1700 stake out a high way betwixt the lott that now is pelatiah Bliss and that lot as was henry gregorys now in the hands of Tylly mericke, to be one rod and half Broad, we who weare apoynted to look after the highways in this Towne being Informed that obadyah Cooly had Incroached upon the high ways wee who weare appoynted namely James waryner Leiftenant John hitchcock Jonathan Burt did upon the 7th day of June 1700 take a veiw of his s^d obadyah Coolys fence and we did find he had Incroached upon the high way at the lower end of the Towne by his howse with in the gate a boute on rod in bredth and for som rods in length we did therefore order him to remove his fence in unto a stake we set up night to the second post from the gate and so it is to run straight a bout a foot from the corner of his Barne to meet with his other fence or ditch. also he hath Incroched on the high way to wards the Corn mill and the Cartway to ward long meddow he was ordered to take in his ffence at the dich with in 3 foot of it and from thence to a forked Black oake tree marked and from thence to a white oak marked and so a lytel bowing as the way runs to an elme tree marked a bout on rod with in the fence and so to a stake we set up neere the mill river about six or seven foot with in the fence as it now standeth he was not to come in to the high way a bout 3 foot from his old fence. See page 189.

BIOGRAPHICAL AND GENEALOGICAL.

The sketches and genealogy which follow include the families of the early settlers of Springfield and of the children of their sons and daughters when they remained here. They include in most instances three generations. The names of the fathers are given in alphabetical order. The sketches and genealogy of their children begin with the oldest son, and are followed by the next in age of the same family. The editor of this work is indebted to Thomas B. Warren for the genealogy and some incidental facts concerning various individuals which he has brought to light in his researches, and are used here with his permission. Mr. Warren's work when published will be an invaluable addition to the genealogical history of Springfield families. A few families are included in this who came here at a later period than did the early settlers, but whose children were prominently connected with the affairs of the town.

ROBERT ASHLEY.

The first mention of Robert Ashley in the Town Records relates to a rate agreed upon to build the minister's house and for Mr. Moxon's maintenance, which was voted in January, 1639. It is probable that he came here the previous year. From whence he came it is not known. He had land granted him soon after his arrival, and his homelot as first mentioned was between that granted to John Searle and that to John Dibble, but the lot on which he later resided was that next north of the present State Street. He was elected to several minor offices and in 1653 was chosen one of the Se-

lectmen. The other members of the Board were George Colton, Thomas Cooper, Benjamin Cooley, and Thomas Stebbins. His service as Selectman was in the years of 1653, '54, '55, '56, '61, 63, and '66.

His store accounts with John Pynchon show that his purchases related mainly to household concerns. The extracts given here are from accounts in several years, from 1652 to 1655. The entries were all made by Pynchon:—"5 yds canvas at 2s 6d, 2 yds Holland at 5s 2d, 8 yds red cotton shag at 2s 10d, 6 yds greene cotton at 2s 11d, 12 yds of Gallome at 3s, 1 yd broadcloth 18s 6d, 1 yd and half qr, of Dimity at 20d, 1000 Pins 1s 4d, fine thrid & Tape 3s, 1 iron ladle 1s 8d, 6 Panes of Glass at 2s 5d pr pane, a cotton hat 9s 6d, 1 pr childrens stockens 1s 3d, 1 inkhorn 6d, 6 sheets of Paper 1 1-2d, 1 yd wire 2d, 100 Nayls 11d, a cart washer 1s, 21 bushels of Mault, 5s 6d pr bushel, £5 15s 6d, carting it up from your wharf to your house 1s 6d, 1 Bible 7s 6d, 2 qts brandy 6s, 1 Bible, gilt, 8s, 1 knife 12d, you are to pay for looking up your horses 14s, for 4 sheep to be in money or in wheat delivered at Hartford landing place at 4s pr bushel in the Spring £12, Received in money towards the sheep £1 2s. So rests due to me this 4th of Jan. 1655, y^e sum of £24 14s."

The above are only a small part of the dealings in the years mentioned. Ashley paid his store accounts partly in labor, or use of his oxen, or in wheat. The largest payments were in wampum. In 1655 the latter amounted to £12 1s 9d. The credits given Ashley included: "40 bushels of wheat when I was in England £7, by 3 pints of liquor I gave at y^e mill, 6s, beere 2d."

October 10, 1656 the balance due Pynchon was £13 11s 3d, to which Mary Ashley, Robert's wife, set her hand. She wrote fairly well for that time. Her husband always made his mark when signing any paper or accounts. After Pynchon had struck a balance in his accounts with Ashley to which Mary had set her hand he wrote below her signature: "Goodwife Ashley sent up her son to tell me that 2 days reaping of little Jonathan was not accounted, w^{ch} is 2s."

Robert Ashley died November 29, 1682, and his widow September 18, 1683. Their children were:—

David, b. June 8, 1642, m. Hannah Glover, of New Haven, daughter of Henry and Helena Glover.

Mary, b. April 6, 1644, m. John Root.

Jonathan, b. February 25, 1644, m. Sarah Wadsworth.

Sarah, b. August 23, 1648, m. John Root 2d, of Farmington, Conn.

Joseph, b. July 6, 1652, m. Mary Parsons, daughter of Cornet Joseph and Mary Parsons of Northampton.

DAVID ASHLEY.

David Ashley married Hannah Glover, daughter of Henry Glover, of New Haven, November 24, 1663. He died December 8, 1718, at Westfield. His widow was living in 1719. The parents of Hannah Glover were Henry and Helena Glover, and she was born in New Haven, May 23, 1646, and baptized May 26, by Rev. John Davenport. Their children born here were:—

Samuel, b. October 26, 1664, m. Sarah Kellogg.

David, b. March 10, 1666, m. Mary Dewey.

Children born at Westfield.

John, b. June 27, 1669, m. first, Sarah Dewey; second, Widow Mary Sheldon; third, Hannah Glover; d. April 16, 1759 in his 90th year.

Joseph, b. July 31, 1671, m. Abigail Dewey.

Sarah, b. September 19, 1673, m. Thomas Ingersoll.

Mary, b. December 14, 1675, d. July, 1676.

Hannah, b. December 14, 1675, m. Nathaniel Eggleston.

Jonathan, b. June 21, 1678, m. Abigail Stebbins.

Abigail, b. April 27, 1681, m. Nathaniel Lewis, son of William Lewis of Hadley.

Mary, b. March 3, 1683, m. Benjamin Stebbins.

Rebecca, b. May 30, 1685, m. Samuel Dewey.

JONATHAN ASHLEY.

Jonathan Ashley, son of Robert and Mary, married Sarah Wadsworth, daughter of William of Hartford, November 10,

1669. He lived at Hartford and died there in 1705. The only one of his children on record here is:—

Jonathan, b. at Hartford, August 23, 1674.

JOSEPH ASHLEY.

Joseph Ashley, son of Robert and Mary, married Mary Parsons, daughter of Joseph Parsons of Northampton, October 16, 1685. He died May 18, 1698, and his widow married Joseph Williston. The first two were not born here. Their children were:—

Joseph, b. July 1686, m. Martha Leonard.

Ebenezer, b. —, m. Sarah Miller.

Mary, b. February 4, 1692, m. William Parsons.

Abigail, b. July 13, 1695, m. Ebenezer Morgan.

Benjamin, b. February, 1699, m. Jane Shaw.

JOHN ALLEN.

John Allen, son of Matthew Allen of Hartford, does not appear to have resided here any length of time. He married Henry Smith's daughter, Hannah, November 19, 1651, a grand-daughter of William Pynchon. He had six children, all daughters, none of whom were born here. After the death of his wife he married Hannah, daughter of George Lamberton, the widow of Samuel Wells of Wethersfield. He had no children by her and he died November 6, 1669. He opened an account with John Pynchon who called him "Cousin John Allyn." He was by marriage a nephew. In the credits in the accounts which Pynchon gave him in 1654 was this: "Received by sending up word of my vessells being at Hartford 3 tymes 9s," and on another, "by sending word of vessells 3 tymes 12s." He was chosen Secretary of Connecticut in 1663, and on each subsequent year for 33 years, was a member of the Council, and also principal Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Hartford County. Clerk of the Courts, Town Clerk, Clerk of the First Church Society in Hartford, and possessed great influence in the public affairs of the Colony. Another daughter of Henry Smith married Richard Lord of Hartford. If there are any of Hen-

ry Smith's descendants living in this country at the present time they are the descendants of his daughter Hannah, who married John Allen, as the daughter who married Lord had only one child, a son, who according to Savage, died early. The following are the names and dates of birth of John Allen's children:—

Ann, b. August 18, 1654, m. Joseph Whiting of Hartford.

Mary, b. April 3, 1657, m. Colonel William Whiting.

Margaret, b. July 29, 1660, m. William Southmayd of Middletown.

Rebecca, b. March 2, 1665, d. young.

Martha, b. July 27, 1667, m. Aaron Cook 3d.

Elizabeth, b. December 1, 1669, m. Alexander Allen of Windsor and second, John Gardner.

BENONI ATCHINSON.

Benoni Atchinson, son of John and Deliverance, married Sarah Bagg, daughter of John and Hannah, October 18, 1701. He died February 28, 1704, and his widow married Samuel Barnard, March 30, 1711. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. May 2, 1702, m. Josiah Farnum.

John, b. September 17, 1703, d. November 13, 1703.

JOHN ATCHINSON.

John Atchinson, son of John and Deliverance, married Dorcas Burt, daughter of Nathaniel and Rebecca, February 25, 1703. He died at Wilbraham or Brimfield and his widow died October 21, 1770, aged 90. Their children were:—

John, b. October 12, 1704.

Benoni, b. November 16, 1706, m. Jemima Bartlett.

Nathaniel, b. October 15, 1709, m. Sarah Van Horn.

Dorcas, b. August 22, 1711, m. Joseph Pomeroy of Suffolk.

Mercy, b. September 28, 1713, m. Aaron Parsons.

Joshua, b. February 24, 1716, d. September 9, 1745.

Experience, b. May 16, 1720.

Deliverance, b. February 6, 1723, m. Mercy Warriner.

JOHN BAGG.

John Bagg came to Springfield about twenty years after the settlement was begun. The first mention of his name in the Town Records was in 1657. In what part of England he resided before coming to this country his descendants have not as yet been able to determine. He was unmarried, but December 24, 1657, he married Hannah Burt, daughter of Henry and Eulalia Burt. His grants of land were all on the west side of the Connecticut River, mostly in the meadow below or near Riley's Brook. His wife died August 1, 1680, and he died September 5, 1683. Their children were:—

Hannah, b. September 8, 1658, m. Nathaniel Sikes.

Mercy, b. November 23, 1660, m. Ebenezer Jones.

Daniel, b. November 10, 1663, d. December 7, 1663.

John, b. March 26, 1665, m. Mercy Thomas, daughter of Rowland Thomas.

Daniel, b. May 12, 1668, m. Hannah Phelps.

Jonathan, b. November 2, 1670, m. Mary Weller.

Abigail, b. April 22, 1673, m. Benjamin Cooley.

James, b. 1675, d. September 13, 1689.

Sarah, b. April 2, 1678, m. Benoni Atchinson, and second, Samuel Barnard.

Abilene, b. July 25, 1680, unmarried, and d. November 12, 1750.

FRANCIS BALL.

Francis Ball came here not far from 1643, that year being the first mention of him in the records. He married Abigail Burt, daughter of Henry Burt, October 3, 1644. His homelot was that on which the Chicopee Bank building now stands. This lot was first granted to John Woodcock, and when he left town the improvements were purchased by Ball, as testified to by his widow, who at that time, February 12, 1690, was the widow of Thomas Stebbins. The title being in dispute between the children of her second marriage and her own the court record states: "Widow Abigail Stebbins, aged about 67 years, testified that her first husband, Francis

Ball, bought of John Woodcocke alotments in Springfield and paid 5 pounds for his labor and what he had done." Francis Ball was drowned in the Connecticut River October 3, 1648, and his widow married Benjamin Munn, April 12, 1649. Ball's children were:—

Jonathan, b. October, midnight, 6-7, 1645, m. Sarah Miller, daughter of Thomas Miller.

Samuel, b. March 16, 1648, m. Mary Graves, daughter of John Graves of Hadley.

JONATHAN BALL.

Jonathan Ball, the oldest son of Francis Ball, was born here in 1645. Served one year as Selectman and in other minor offices. He married Sarah, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Miller, March 13, 1673. She died August 29, 1683, and he married Widow Susannah Worthington. His second wife died March 9, 1727, and he died May 21, 1741. His children by his first wife were:—

Sarah, b. December 31, 1673, d. 1676.

Margarite, b. October 8, 1675, d. October 16, 1675.

Thomas, b. February 25, 1677, d. March 28, 1677.

Sarah, b. December 11, 1678, d. December 22, 1678.

Samuel, b. July 31, 1680, m. Margaret Jones, first, and Ruth Soley second.

Jonathan, b. May 6, 1682, d. October 28, 1683.

Jonathan, b. August 24, 1683, d. January 17, 1684.

Children by the Second Wife.

Sarah, b. August 6, 1686, m. Thomas Barber first, and John White, second.

Francis, b. March 9, 1687, m. Sarah Leonard, daughter of John Leonard.

Benjamin, b. April 19, 1689, m. Sarah Ferry.

Jonathan, b. December 25, 1692, m. Elizabeth Old.

Joseph, b. September 27, 1695, m. Mercy MacCranny.

SAMUEL BALL.

Samuel Ball, second son of Francis Ball, married January 15, 1671, Mary Graves of Hadley, daughter of John Graves. He was chosen Constable and served four years as Selectman. He died September 13, 1689, and his widow married March 11, 1690, Benjamin Stebbins. His children were:—

- Mary, b. June 12, 1673, m. John Hitchcock.
- Francis, b. April 4, 1675, m. Martha Blackman.
- Elizabeth, b. January 14, 1677, m. Nathaniel Sikes.
- Mercy, b. December 15, 1679, d. September 14, 1683.
- Abigail, b. July 18, 1682, m. Moses Parsons.

THOMAS BANCROFT.

Thomas Bancroft married Margaret Wright, daughter of Deacon Samuel Wright, December 8, 1653. His wife died — and he married at Westfield, Hannah —. His children by his first wife were:—

- Lidia, b. April 6, 1655.
- Margaret, b. October 16, 1656.
- Anna, b. September 1, 1658, d. August 30, 1659.
- Thomas, b. January 21, 1659.
- Anna, b. May 5, 1663, m. Thomas Gilbert, and second, James Sexton.
- Julia, b. —, d. July 30, 1666.
- Samuel, b. January 25, 1667, d. January 30, 1667.
- Samuel, b. —.

Children by the Second Wife.

- Ruth, b. August 29, 1670, m. — Stiles.
 - Rebecca, b. February 23, 1680, m. Samuel Gillett.
- Bancroft in his will, made in 1684, mentions Nathaniel who is not included in the above, who married Ruth Hale.

JOHN BARBER.

John Barber, of Windsor, was in Springfield in 1663. He was a son of Thomas Barber and was baptized at Windsor, July 24, 1642. He served three years as one of the Selectmen of Springfield and in other offices of less importance.

He married Bathsheba Coggin, December 2, 1663, and they had two children before coming here. The others were born here. His wife died in 1688 and he married May 1, 1689, Hannah Bancroft, widow of Thomas. She died December 12, 1711. He died January 27, 1712, aged 70 years. His children were:—

Joanna, b. April 8, 1667, m. Thomas Smith, March 18, 1685.

John, b. July 14, 1669, d. October 21, 1690.

Return, a son, b. May 29, 1672, d. December 17, 1673.

Thomas, b. February 4, 1674, m. Sarah Ball, daughter of Jonathan Ball, February 17, 1704. He d. January 16, 1714, and his widow m. John White.

Mary, b. February 14, 1677, m. Isaac Frost.

SIMON BEAMON.

Simon Beamon, sometimes written in the records Beaman, married Alice Young, December 15, 1654. He died in 1675 and his widow October 8, 1708. Their children were:—

Simon, b. —, went to Deerfield, 1695.

John, b. April 12, 1657, m. Abigail Eggleston.

Daniel, b. March 15, 1659, d. 1741.

Thomas, b. December 29, 1660.

Josiah, b. February 4, 1662, m. Lydia Warner.

Benjamin, b. August 20, 1671, m. Hannah Huggins.

Samuel, b. —, went to Windsor.

Daughter, b. June 11, 1673.

Mehitable, b. —, d. August 16, 1670.

Abigail, b. —, m. Obadiah Baldwin.

Alice, b. —, m. Nathaniel Baldwin, of Milford, Conn.

Ruth, b. —, m. Samuel Miller.

Mary, b. —, m. Ensign John Miller.

REICE BEDORTHA.

Reice Bedortha was here in 1646, that year being the first mention of him in the records. His given name has been

written by the early clerks in many different ways, often as Rice, Rece, and Reice. The latter is probably nearest correct. John Pynchon wrote his name in his accounts with him either Reice or Rece. He like the other settlers had a store account with John Pynchon and the items include the usual household necessities, mostly articles that went into wearing apparel for his family. In 1653 he was owing Pynchon £7 16s 9d, and under date of February 24, 1653, appears the following in Pynchon's book: "An agreement betwixt John Pynchon & Reice Bedortha; upon condition y^e s^d Reice doth bring in to John Pynchon 20 bushels of good wheate towards y^e debt above s^d within a month, & p[']vided he y^e s^d Reice doth deliver to John Pynchon a certain Calfe (it is now about a fortnight old) on thursday or friday next, well & in good liking; upon condition also that y^e said Reice doth deliver to y^e afores^d John Pynchon 2 Bullocks (one being by Reice bought of Mr. Holyoke & y^e o^ther of John Allyn) well & Sound, & in good liking y^e 20th day of May next, then under y^e condition aforesaid y^e s^d John Pynchon doth p[']mise to pay for Reice Bedortha to John Allyn y^e sum of £7 13s. & also to satisfie Mr. Holyoke £7 for y^e Bullock w^{ch} Reice bought of him; also it is p[']vided & agreed that y^e aforesaid John Pynchon having paid y^e said suns to Mr. Allyn & Mr. Holyoke that y^e s^d Reice is hereby bound to deliver y^e two Bullocks aforesaid sound & in good liking to John Pynchon y^e 20th of May next." To this agreement Bedortha signed his mark. Subsequent entries do not show whether the bullocks were delivered according to agreement or not, but on the margin of this account Pynchon wrote, "Received y^e Calfe."

In subsequent accounts Reice is credited with: "By your Cannoe, 8 voyadges downe y^e falls at 3s pr voyadge," and similar amounts for that work at a later date; for "feting hay from Agawam" in his canoe, he received 5s and for "y^e use of your oxen bringing up goods 1s." "Bringing up goods," meant for carting them from the warehouse at the

Falls in Enfield to Springfield. His canoe appears to have been extensively employed in the service of Pyncheon.

Reice married Blanch Lewis in 1646 and their children were:—

Son, b. May 14, 1646.

John, b. May 13, 1647, d. May 30, 1648.

Joseph, b. March 15, 1649, m. first, Mary Dumbleton, second, Lydia Dumbleton, third, Hannah Marshfield.

Samuel, b. December 1, 1651, m. first, Mercy Dumbleton, second, Widow Mary Leonard.

John, b. June 12, 1654.

Reice Bedortha and his son, John, Lydia, the wife of his son Joseph, and Mercy, the daughter of his son, Samuel, were drowned while crossing the Connecticut, March 18, 1683. The daughter of Samuel was only a week old and it is probable that they were going from their homes in Agawam to have the child christened, or were returning, for it would seem that a child so young would not have been taken out for any other purpose.

SAMUEL BEDORTHA.

Samuel Bedortha, son of Reice, married Mercy Dumbleton, daughter of John Dumbleton, April 28, 1681. She died June 6, 1689, and he married Widow Mary Leonard, July 30, 1691, who was Mary Remington before her marriage. He died September 14, 1728, and Mary, his widow, died December 27, 1747. The children by the first wife were:—

Samuel, b. February 27, 1681, d. June 26, 1757.

Mercy, b. March 11, 1683, drowned March 18, 1683.

Lydia, b. January 29, 1683, d. February 4, 1684.

A daughter, b. May 6, 1685, d. same day.

John, b. August 8, 1687, d. October 30, 1704.

Mercy, b. June 7, 1689, d. September 1, 1689.

Children by the Second Wife.

Joseph, b. April 25, 1692, m. Widow Mary Cooper.

Mary, b. June 3, 1694, m. Oliver Barker.

Thomas, b. January 22, 1696, d. at Fort Dummer, September 11, 1725.

Benjamin, b. February 17, 1698, m. Bathsheba Frost.

Abigail, b. December 30, 1700, m. Jonathan Rising of Suffield.

Jonathan, b. April 24, 1703, m. Joanna Frost, d. July 30, 1764.

Mercy, b. May 11, 1706, m. Israel Phelps of Suffield.

Hannah, b. September 7, 1708, d. 1711.

JOSEPH BEDORTHA.

Joseph Bedortha, son of Reice, married Mary Dumbleton, January 30, 1671. She died February 3, 1676, and he married second Lydia Dumbleton, widow of John Dumbleton, and daughter of John Leonard, October 2, 1678. She was drowned March 18, 1683, and he married third, Hannah Marshfield, daughter of Samuel Marshfield. She died November 10, 1711. Child by first wife:—

John, b. December 3, 1675, d. November 24, 1684.

Children by the Second Wife.

Mary, b. September 4, 1679, d. May 27, 1684.

Sarah, b. October 18, 1681, m. Samuel Ely.

Children by the Third Wife.

Hannah, b. November 4, 1685, m. Jonathan Smith.

Joseph, b. December 12, 1686, d. May 19, 1708.

Mary, b. September 19, 1691, m. Benjamin Smith, Jr.

Esther, b. December 23, 1693, d. February 13, 1693.

Desire, b. June 20, 1696, m. Samuel Smith.

John, b. December 15, 1698, m. Ruth Lee.

Jacob, b. March 16, 1702, d. March 23, 1702.

Martha, b. July 15, 1703, m. Job Smith.

MARGARET BLISS.

The husband of Widow Margaret Bliss, Thomas Bliss, was a son of Thomas Bliss of Belstone Parish, in Devonshire, England. He was married in England and several of his children were born before he and his wife emigrated to this

country. The date of marriage is not known, nor the family name of his wife, although the compiler of the Bliss Genealogy states that there is some reason to believe that her maiden name was Margaret Lawrence. It is also stated that they embarked at Plymouth, England, and sailed for New England in the autumn of 1635. After arriving in Boston they went to Braintree, and subsequently to Hartford, Conn., where Thomas died in 1640. Their children were:—

Ann, b. in England, m. April 29, 1642, Robert Chapman and never came here.

Mary, b. in England, m. November 26, 1646, Joseph Parsons of Springfield.

Thomas, b. in England, went to Norwich, d. April 15, 1688.

Nathaniel, b. in England, m. Catherine Chapin, November 20, 1646.

Lawrence, b. in England, m. Lydia Wright, October 25, 1654, d. in 1676.

Samuel, b. in England, 1624, m. Mary Leonard, November 10, 1665, d. March 23, 1720.

Sarah, b. at Boston Mount, 1635-6, m. at Springfield, July 20, 1659, John Scott.

Elizabeth, b. at Boston Mount, about 1637, m. February 15, 1670, Miles Morgan (second wife) and had one child.

Hannah, b. at Hartford, 1639, d. single, January 25, 1660.

John, b. at Hartford, 1640, d. September 10, 1702.

Hester, b. —, m. Edward Foster. See Longmeadow Centennial, page 187.

Thomas, son of Thomas and Margaret, went to Saybrook, Conn., after his father's death. Nathaniel, Lawrence, Samuel, and John came to Springfield and were among the early settlers. Their mother, Margaret, died here, August 28, 1684. The compiler of the Bliss Genealogy states that Widow Margaret removed from Hartford to Springfield in 1643, and that two of her sons, Nathaniel and Samuel, preceded her and had prepared a dwelling for her. The first mention of any member of the family in the Town Records

is under date of 1646, and it is somewhat doubtful about their having come here long before that year. It is evident that she was a woman of more than ordinary force of character. Her homelot was on what is now generally termed South Main Street, between the present Fremont and Margaret Streets. She died in 1684, outliving two of her sons, Nathaniel and Lawrence. Samuel and John survived her.

NATHANIEL BLISS.

Nathaniel Bliss married Catherine Chapin, daughter of Deacon Samuel Chapin, November 20, 1646. His homelot was ten rods wide and was the second below the present William Street. He died November 18, 1654, and his widow married Thomas Gilbert, July 31, 1655. Nathaniel's children were:—

Samuel, Jr., b. November 7, 1647, m. Sarah Stebbins, and d. June 19, 1749, aged 102 years.

Margaret, b. November 12, 1649, m. Nathaniel Foot.

Mary, b. September 23, 1651, m. Nathaniel Holcomb.

Nathaniel, b. March 27, 1653, m. Deborah Colton, daughter of George Colton.

LAWRENCE BLISS.

Lawrence Bliss married Lidia, daughter of Deacon Samuel Wright, October 25, 1654. He was chosen Constable in 1660 and Selectman in 1665 and 1669. He died in 1676. His widow married John Norton October 31, 1678, John Lamb, January 27, 1688, and Quartermaster George Colton in 1692. She died February 13, 1699. Lawrence Bliss's children were:—

Lidia, b. October 29, 1655, d. February 27, 1656.

Sarah, b. April 11, 1657, d. April 18, 1657.

Sarah, b. April 4, 1658, d. August 25, 1659.

Samuel, b. May 7, 1660, d. May 22, 1660.

Samuel, b. August 16, 1662, m. Hannah Stiles.

Hannah, b. May 26, 1665, m. Capt. Thomas Colton.

Sarah, b. November 27, 1667, m. Samuel Smith of Hadley.
 William, b. April 28, 1670, m. Margaret Lombard.
 Pelatiah, b. August 19, 1674, m. Elizabeth Hitchcock.

SAMUEL BLISS.

Samuel Bliss married Mary Leonard, daughter of John and Sarah Leonard, November 10, 1665. He received several grants of land from the town,—at Freshwater Brook and on the north side of Agawam River, at Ackanunset, at the latter place 35 acres. He was Selectman in 1685, '92, and '99. He died March 23, 1720, aged 96, outliving all his brothers living here. His widow died January 1, 1724. Their children were:—

Hannah, b. December 20, 1666, m. first, John Haley, and second, Simon Smith.

Thomas, b. February 8, 1668, m. Hannah Cadwell.

Mary, b. August 14, 1670, m. Philip Smith.

Jonathan, b. February 5, 1672, m. Sarah Eggleston.

Martha, b. June 1, 1674, m. Samuel Ely.

Sarah, b. September 10, 1677, m. George Webster.

Experience, b. April 1, 1679, d. April 7, 1679.

Mercy, b. July 18, 1680, m. John Ely.

Ebenezer, b. July 29, 1683, m. Mary Gaylord.

Margaret, b. September 11, 1684, m. Samuel Colton.

Esther, b. April 2, 1688, m. Henry Chapin.

JOHN BLISS.

John Bliss, the youngest of Widow Margaret's children, married Patience Burt, daughter of Henry and Eulalia Burt, October 7, 1667. The town granted him several pieces of land before he was married, as did also Northampton where his sister, Mary Parsons, resided. His homelot in that town was next north of his brother-in-law's, Joseph Parsons, and extended from the present Market Street on the west, to Bridge Street on the east, or in front of the cemetery. He resided in that town several years after marriage, but returned to Springfield and resided in that part of the town

now within the limits of Longmeadow. He died November 4, 1702, and his widow October 2, 1732. Their children were:—

A child, b. September 8, 1668, d. September 20, 1668.

John, b. September 7, 1669, m. Ann Terry, daughter of Samuel Terry and went to Enfield and thence to Lebanon, Conn.

Nathaniel, b. January 20, 1671, m. Mary Wright and went to Enfield and thence to Lebanon.

Thomas, b. October 29, 1673, m. Mary Maccrany.

Joseph, b. 1676, d. unmarried in 1754.

Hannah, b. November 16, 1678, m. Henry Wright.

Henry, b. August 15, 1681, d. November 30, 1684.

Ebenezer, b. 1683, m. Joanna Lamb.

JAMES BRIDGMAN.

James Bridgman was in Hartford in 1640 and in 1643 in Springfield. He remained here till 1654 or 5 when he went to Northampton and was among the early settlers there. His home was the first one below the present Bliss Street, previously granted to Thomas Horton. He had eight children, his eldest was born before coming to Springfield, and the three youngest in Northampton. Their names are as follows:—

Sarah, b. 1643, m. Timothy Tilestone 2d of Dorchester, in 1659, d. June 26, 1712.

John, b. July 7, 1645, m. Mary Sheldon, daughter of Isaac Sheldon of Windsor, December 11, 1670, d. April 7, 1712.

Thomas, b. September 14, 1648, d. February 27, 1648.

Martha, b. November 20, 1649, m. Samuel Dickinson of Hatfield.

Mary, b. July 5, 1652, m. Samuel Bartlett, son of Robert Bartlett, 1672, d. 1674.

James, b. May 30, 1655, d. June 14, 1655.

Patience, b. January 5, 1657, d. February, 1657.

Hezekiah, b. June, 1658, d. March 30, 1659.

WILLIAM BRANCH.

William Branch married Joanna Farnam at Windsor, September 7, 1643. She died October 12, 1675. He married February 12, 1677, Katherine, widow of Arthur Williams and Joshua Carter. She died August 8, 1683, and he died September 16, 1683. He had no children by either wife.

REV. DANIEL BREWER.

Rev. Daniel Brewer, the third permanent minister of Springfield, was a son of Daniel Brewer of Roxbury. He was born February 7, 1669, and married August 26, 1699 Katherine, daughter of Rev. Nathaniel and Abigail (Strong) Chauncey, who was born April 12, 1676. He died November 5, 1733 in his 66th year. His widow died May 15, 1754, aged 79. Their children were:—

Catherine, b. October 25, 1700, m. William Pynchon.

Daniel, b. October 13, 1702, d. May 5, 1704.

Abigail, b. April 20, 1705, m. Thomas Merrick, and later John Munn.

Eunice, b. May 28, 1707, m. Rev. Robert Breck.

Daniel, b. May 13, 1707, d. October 7, 1733.

Nathaniel, b. July 25, 1711, m. Eunice Strong.

Isaac, b. November 25, 1713, m. Mary Bliss.

Charles, b. —, 1717, m. Anne Bliss.

WILLIAM BROOKS.

William Brooks, who was born in 1610, sailed from London to Virginia in 1635. He was in Springfield in 1649, that being the first mention of him. He received grants of land in 1655, 1661, 1664, 1669, and in various subsequent years. He married Mary Burt, daughter of Henry and Eulalia Burt, October 18, 1654. He sold his lands here to John Pynchon and in 1686 moved to Deerfield, where he died December 30, 1688, and his widow August 30, 1689. Their children were:

Remembrance, b. —, m. James Brown in 1674 of Deerfield. Resided in Colchester, Conn. In 1713 Remembrance

Brown, widow of James Brown, of Colchester, and her son, James, deed land in Deerfield.

William, b. August 18, 1655, killed by Indians at Westfield, October 27, 1675.

John, b. February 10, 1657, killed by Indians at Westfield, October 27, 1675.

Sarah, b. May 4, 1658, m. Jonathan Taylor, and second, John Hanchet.

Mary, b. December 21, 1659, d. —.

Patience, b. June 5, 1661, m. Thomas Taylor.

Ebenezer, b. December 21, 1662, m. Elizabeth Belding, daughter of Daniel, October 8, 1673.

Nathaniel, b. May 9, 1664, m. first, Mary, daughter of Zeb-
ediah Williams, and second, Mary, daughter of Samuel Allis.

Abigail, b. January 25, 1665, m. Samuel Stebbins.

Joseph, b. October 17, 1667, m. Lydia, daughter of Isaac Warner.

Mercy, b. August 25, 1669, m. Samuel Carter.

Benjamin, b. July 25, 1671, m. Mary —.

Deliverance, b. February 28, 1672, m. Widow Mary Burt.

Thankful, b. February 28, 1672, d. April 3, 1673.

Jonathan, b. October 13, 1674, was in Suffield 1702 and in Staten Island in 1725.

Mary, b. July 11, 1677, m. Barrett Steel.

Thankful, b. September 13, 1679, m. Josiah Church.

JEHU BURR.

Jehu Burr came from England with Winthrop's company in 1630. He settled in Roxbury with William Pynchon and in 1636 when Pynchon came to Springfield he was one of the eight who began the settlement. He was associated with Pynchon and Smith in purchasing of the Indians the lands embraced in the original town of Springfield. He remained here until 1642, when he removed to Fairfield, Conn., where he died in 1672. In 1638, when it was supposed that Springfield was within the jurisdiction of Connecticut, he and George Moxon, the first minister, were chosen Representa-

tives to the General Court at Hartford. He was the ancestor of Aaron Burr who was Vice-President of the United States from 1801 to 1805, and in the fifth generation of Jehu. The line of descent was—1st, Jehu; 2d, Jehu; 3d, Daniel; 4th, Rev. Aaron; 5th, Aaron, the Vice-President, whose mother was Esther, daughter of Rev. Jonathan Edwards. Jehu's children were Jehu, John, Nathaniel, and Daniel. None of them were born in Springfield.

HENRY BURT.

Henry Burt, the ancestor of those who bear this family name, who have resided in Springfield and neighboring towns, as well as many who have gone to other states, came from England prior to 1638. His name appears that year in the records of the General Court, in reference to paying £8 to Roxbury on account of the burning of his house. In 1640 he appears here. Just what time he left Roxbury it is not known, probably on that or the previous year. He brought with him a large family of children, seven in number, three sons and four daughters, and he had four daughters born here. When Springfield had grown beyond the management of a single individual and a town government was suggested, he was chosen on the first Board of Selectmen (1644), and served in that office ten years. The other members of the first Board were Henry Smith, Thomas Cooper, Samuel Chapin, and Richard Sikes. Other duties came to him, such as serving on committees to lay out the bounds of the plantation, to grant lands to the settlers, to purchase Mr. Moxon's lands when he returned to England, to conduct religious services on Sunday in the absence of the minister, was clerk of the training band, and from 1649 to 1662, the time of his decease, was Clerk of the Writs, an officer whose duty it was to issue summonses in civil suits, grant writs of attachment, and to keep the record of births, deaths and marriages. His hand writing appears on upwards of twenty pages of the Town Records. The Clerk of the Writs was chosen by the towns and afterwards confirmed by the County Court.

Henry Burt was the first chosen to that office in Springfield. His death occurred April 30, 1662. His widow, Eulalia, survived him nearly thirty years, dying August 19, 1690. From various statements in the records it is known that Jonathan was the oldest son, that David was next in age, and that Nathaniel was the youngest. Jonathan remained here and succeeded his father in town and church affairs. The second son, David, went to Northampton, and Nathaniel to that part of Springfield which is now Longmeadow. All of his eleven children lived to rear large families, and from him, through his daughters, have descended a number of persons who have been prominent in State and National, as well as in local affairs. From his daughter Abigail descended Ex-President Grover Cleveland; from Elizabeth, who married Samuel Wright, Silas Wright, Governor of New York and United States Senator; from Mercy, who married Judah Wright, Ethan Allen, the hero of Ticonderoga; from Dorcas who married John Stiles, President Stiles of Yale, and Oliver Wendell Holmes.

The names of the children of Henry and Eulalia Burt and their family records are given as follows:—

Sarah, b. —, m. Judah Gregory June 20, 1643, son of Henry Gregory, and m. later Henry Wakeley, who subsequently settled at Stratford, and was there in 1653.

Abigail, b. about 1623 in England, m. Francis Ball in 1644; in 1649 Benjamin Munn, in 1676 Lt. Thomas Stebbins.

Elizabeth, b. —, m. Samuel Wright, son of Deacon Samuel Wright, November 24, 1653, who was killed by the Indians at Northfield, September 2, 1675; she married a second time, September 26, 1684, Daniel Dickinson of Hatfield.

Mary, b. —, m. William Brooks, 1654.

Jonathan, b. —, m. October 20, 1651, Elizabeth Lobdell of Boston, b. 1632. She d. November 11, 1684, and he married December 14, 1686, Deliverance Hanchet, widow of Deacon Thomas Hanchet and daughter of George Lanckton. He died October 19, 1715.

David, b. —, m. November 18, 1654 or '55, Mary, eldest daughter of Deacon William Holton of Northampton, d. September 9, 1690. His widow married Joseph Root and died in 1718.

Nathaniel, b. 1636, m. Rebecca Sikes, daughter of Richard Sikes, December 26, 1662. She died January 28, 1712. He died September 29, 1720.

Hannah, b. April 28, 1641, m. John Bagg, December 24, 1657.

Dorcas, b. 1643, m. John Stiles of Windsor, October 28, 1658.

Patience, b. August 18, 1645, m. John Bliss, October 7, 1667, d. May 18, 1768.

Mercy, b. September 27, 1647, m. Judah Wright, son of Deacon Samuel Wright, January 17, 1667, d. 1705.

JONATHAN BURT.

Jonathan Burt, eldest son of Henry Burt, married Elizabeth Lobdell of Boston October 20, 1651, and in 1686 Deliverence Hanchet, widow of Thomas Hanchet and daughter of George Lanckton. It is supposed he was born in England as there is no record of his birth at Roxbury, where his father lived before coming to Springfield. After the death of the older settlers he became prominent in town affairs. Was for many years Selectman and Town Clerk. He was also a Deacon in the church and appears to have been active in both church and town affairs. His son Henry was also one of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer and also a Deacon in the church. He made the only account of the burning of Springfield found in the Town Records, which was written on a fly leaf of volume three, and is still preserved in that volume. He died October 19, 1715 and his widow died June 10, 1718. His children, all by his first wife, were as follows:—

Elizabeth, b. December 29, 1652, m. January 9, 1673, Victory Sikes, son of Richard Sikes.

Jonathan, b. September 12, 1654, m. December 4, 1686,

Lydia Dumbleton, daughter of John Dumbleton. He died June 19, 1707 and his widow married Daniel Cooley.

Sarah, b. September 4, 1656, m. Benjamin Dorchester and later Luke Hitchcock.

John, b. August 23, 1658, m. February 21, 1683, Sarah Day, daughter of Thomas Day.

Mercy, b. August 7, 1661, d. September 2, 1683.

Henry, b. December 11, 1663, m. June 16, 1689, Elizabeth Warriner, daughter of James Warriner. She died November 19, 1711, and he married Deborah Alvord, of Northampton, widow of Benjamin and daughter of John Stebbins.

DAVID BURT.

David Burt, the second son of Henry Burt, received a grant of land in Springfield, but he relinquished it to the town and went to Northampton in 1654 where he was not only one of the first settlers but was the first to marry. His wife was Mary Holton, daughter of Deacon William Holton, an early settler of both Hartford and Northampton. They were married November 18, 1655. He died September 9, 1690. His homelot was on what is now King Street. Besides attending to his own affairs, he acted as Town Measurer of land for many years, and when the division line between Northampton and Springfield was established, he served as one of the commissioners on the part of Northampton. Northampton, Hadley and Deerfield suffered from Indian depredations and David Burt had two sons captured at Deerfield by Indians, when the town was burned, and taken to Canada. Both were finally liberated, but the youngest of the two brothers was subsequently killed near Burlington by Indians when on a scouting expedition. A third was captured when the Indians burned Schnectady and was never heard from. His children were:—

David, b. July 14, 1656, killed August 30, 1660, by being run over by a cart.

Jonathan, b. May 1, 1658, d. April 15, 1662.

Henry, b. August 20, 1660, m. December 12, 1684, Eliza-

beth, daughter of Alexander Alvord; she died May 6, 1687 and he married December 9, 1687, Hannah, daughter of Henry Denslow; she died May 3, 1689, and he married in 1690, Mary —. He died September 26, 1735.

Mary, b. March 18, 1663, d. November 3, 1666.

Sarah, b. May 2, 1665, m. May 21, 1688, Robert Porter, d. May 14, 1689.

Hannah, b. September 2, 1667, d. May 3, 1689.

David, b. August 25, 1669, captured by the French and Indians February 8, 1690, on the burning of Schnectady and never heard from.

Jonathan, b. September 5, 1671, m. June 2, 1696, Mindwell Taylor, daughter of Capt. John Taylor. He died October 15, 1745 and his widow November 6, 1761.

Joseph, b. September 26, 1673, m. April 16, 1702, Sarah Cowles, daughter of John Cowles of Hatfield. Was one of the early settlers of Northfield; d. January 13, 1759, and his widow May 21, 1772.

Mary, baptized May 3, 1676, m. February 14, 1706 Dr. Thomas Hastings of Hatfield. He died July 23, 1712, and his widow m. May 7, 1713 Samuel Belding of Hatfield.

Ruth, b. April, 1677, m. December 16, 1710, Nehemiah Allen of Northampton. She died March —, 1746.

Benjamin, b. November 17, 1680, m. October 19, 1702, Sarah Belden. Both taken captives by the French and Indians on the burning of Deerfield, February 29, 1704 and taken to Canada. Returned a year later and he settled in Ridgefield, Conn.

John, b. April 29, 1682. Captured at the same time at Deerfield with his brother Benjamin and taken to Canada. In May, 1709, he accompanied his cousin, Capt. Benjamin Wright, on a scouting expedition in search of Indians and was killed on Onion River, near Burlington.

NATHANIEL BURT.

Nathaniel Burt, the third and youngest son of Henry Burt, settled in that part of Springfield which became the

town of Longmeadow. He served as Selectman and in other offices. He headed the petition to change the location of the home lots from the meadow near the present railroad station to the higher ground where the village now stands. The change was made on account of the high water which overflowed the homelots in the meadow and which caused much damage and inconvenience to the inhabitants. Liberty was given to make the change in 1703. He gave lands to the town for the support of schools and the church and many years after his death the town erected a memorial tablet to his memory, which still stands in the Longmeadow burying ground east of the church. He married January 15, 1662, Rebecca Sikes, daughter of Richard Sikes. Their children were:—

Nathaniel, b. January 18, 1663, m. January 21, 1691, Elizabeth Dumbleton, daughter of John Dumbleton. She died November 3, 1692, and he married Mary, daughter of Charles Ferry, January 18, 1700. She died June 2, 1739, and he married Widow Mary Crowfoot, March 8, 1740. He died July 19, 1749, and his wife, May 23, 1753.

Rebecca, b. December 10, 1665, m. January 29, 1690, Charles Ferry. She died February 12, 1692.

David, b. May 20, 1668, m. June 27, 1706, Martha, daughter of Deacon Thomas Hale, who d. in 1714. He m. July 15, 1715, Widow Joanna Allen. He d. July 5, 1735.

John, b. August 23, 1670, m. December 23, 1697, Mary, daughter of David Lombard. He was killed February 25, 1704. His widow d. October 1, 1759.

Sarah, b. July 17, 1673, d. July 31, 1673.

Sarah, b. April 7, 1675, m. February 8, 1693, Nathaniel Horton of Enfield.

Experience, b. January 23, 1667, m. February 15, 1705, Thomas Hale of Enfield, d. September 12, 1719.

Dorcas, b. February 10, 1680, m. February 25, 1703, John Atchinson, d. October 2, 1770.

JONATHAN BUSH.

Jonathan Bush married Sarah Lamb, daughter of John and Joanna Lamb, July 22, 1679. He was a resident of Springfield in 1678 and of Enfield in 1685. He died in Enfield in 1739 aged 89. Their children born here were:—

Jonathan, b. April 10, 1681.

John, b. November 22, 1685, m. Hannah Fowler.

JOHN CABLE.

John Cable, one of the first eight subscribers to establish a settlement in Springfield, did not remain here but a few years. In April, 1641, he sold his lot to the town and it was afterwards sold to Thomas Cooper. He had one child born here, and on leaving here went to Fairfield, Conn. His son born here was:—

John, b. January 12, 1640.

ISAAC CAKEBREAD.

Isaac Cakebread married Hepzibah Jones, daughter of Griffith Jones, December 20, 1677. His first daughter was born here. The other children were born in Suffield. His wife died in Suffield March 8, 1685. He is supposed to have died about 1698. His children were:—

Margaret, b. in Suffield, February 21, 1678, d. here November 17, 1691.

Isaac, b. in Suffield, January 30, 1680.

DEA. SAMUEL CHAPIN.

Dea. Samuel Chapin and his wife Cicely, were at Roxbury in 1638, and his name appears in the Town Records in Springfield in 1642. From whence he came to this country it has not been ascertained, but there is no doubt that he lived in England before migrating to New England. He took a prominent part in all the affairs of the town, both religious and civil. He was a member of the first Board of Selectmen and served nine consecutive years. William Pyn-

chon was the first Magistrate, or Commissioner, and when his heretical book appeared his son-in-law, Henry Smith, was appointed to that office, but it does not appear that he served, as the next year, 1652, John Pynchon, Elizur Holyoke and Samuel Chapin were appointed Commissioners, "to hear and determine all cases and offences, both civil and criminal that reach not to life, limbe and banishment." The Deacon at various times, in the absence of a minister, from the departure of Mr. Moxon to the coming of his successor, Pelatiah Glover, conducted religious services, alternating with Henry Burt and John Pynchon. He served on important committees and the General Court in 1653 appointed him and John Pynchon to lay out Northampton and its bounds, and they made the purchase of the lands from the Indians. In 1659 they were appointed to lay out Hadley on both sides of the Connecticut River, that on the west side subsequently becoming the town of Hatfield.

In 1664 he petitioned the General Court "for some land for services done," and the Court in 1669 granted him 200 acres, "as laid out four miles from Mendon, bounded as in the said platt w^{ch} is on file, provided it exceed not two hundred acres, as also that it take not in any of the meadows now granted to Mendon." His son Josiah settled in Braintree, the town adjoining Mendon, and in 1684 he with others and the Selectmen of Mendon petitioned the General Court concerning taxing unimproved lands. In answer to this petition the General Court "granted the said petitioners free from country rates for the year ensuing," meaning the Province tax.

He must have been conspicuous in all the affairs that concerned the moral, religious and secular interests of the town. He has probably a greater number of descendants living within the limits of the old County of Hampshire at the present time than any other one of the first settlers, who have reason to be proud of their distinguished ancestor.

He had seven children, four sons and three daughters, all of whom, excepting the youngest, Hannah, having been

born before coming to Springfield. Their names are as follows:—

Henry, b. in 1630, m. Bethia Cooley.

Josiah, lived at Braintree.

David, m. Lydia Crump and went to Boston.

Catherine, m. Nathaniel Bliss, and afterwards Thomas Gilbert and Samuel Marshfield.

Sarah, m. Rowland Thomas.

Japhet, b. at Roxbury, October 15, 1643, m. Abelenah Cooley.

Hannah, b. December 2, 1644, m. John Hitchcock.

Deacon Samuel died November 11, 1675, and his widow Cicely, February 8, 1682.

Deacon Chapin's accounts at Pynchon's store well illustrates the general habit of the settlers and the articles used by them. These extracts are taken from the accounts of 1652 and a year or more later. He was charged with 14s for half a pound of powder, 2s 6d for 3 pounds of sugar, 8d for 500 pins, £4 7s 6d for 10 yds. of Kersey, 5s 3d for smithery work, 5s 2d for 2 yds. Scots cloth, 4s 10d for 3 1-2 pounds of soap, £12 for a parcel of wampum sent to Henry Chapin, "you are to pay for your son David £10," 2s 11d for 1-2 yd. of Green Say, 2s 6d for 1 pair of stockings, 1s 3d for 1-2 yd. of flannel, 17s 6d for 7 yds. of linen cloth, 6s 6d for one Bible, 6s for one pint bottle, 1s 10d for a quart and 1-4 of brandy, 2s for one pound of pepper, and 4 1-2d for 1 pint of vinegar.

In payment of his accounts he was credited with 8s for 4 days work of David, 9s for David's work at the mill, 4s 6d for work of oxen, 2s 6d for 3 lbs. of candles, £3 4s for 192 lbs. of beef, £11 1s, for 60 bushels of wheat, 7s for a skin of Beaver, 16s for wheat delivered by Thomas Stebbins, 17s 6d from Katherine Bliss, £15 18s for 87 bushels of wheat at y^c mill in June '55, 2s 6d for a qr. of veal, £1 4s 4d for stringing 194 fathoms of wampum.

There was no stated time for settling accounts and they frequently stood a year and sometimes several years before there was a balance. In most instances the difference was in

favor of John Pynchon. February 17, 1654, Deacon Chapin was owing him £35 10d, August 7th, 1655, £15 14s 6d, September 29, 1656, £13 16s 2d, and to the latter he set his hand.

This entry is found in Pynchon's book: "April 16th, 1665, sold to Deacon Chapin 100 acres of land in Chickkupy Plaine next above Henry Chapins, all through the Plaine from y^e River to y^e hill, & also 4 acres of muxy meddow for w^{ch} he is to allow & pay me 16s in wheat at 3s 6d per bushel, 8s next March & y^e other 8s y^e year after, viz: March next come twelve month; also to let out to Goodman Chapin y^e land of Sackets at Chickkupy for w^{ch} he is to pay me 3 bushels in wheat. Let out to Goodman Chapin y^e plowed ground of Sackets at y^e Cold Spring for w^{ch} he is to pay me 10s." The whole amount for the 100 acres and the rent of land as above was £16. The locality usually designated as Chicopee Plain was on the west side of the Connecticut, opposite Chicopee.

Specimens of his handwriting, including an excellent autograph, appear in the first part of this volume. They indicate an education in penmanship superior to the majority of the early settlers.

HENRY CHAPIN.

Henry Chapin married Bethia Cooley, daughter of Benjamin Cooley, December 15, 1664. His wife died December 9, 1711, and he died August 15, 1718. He was a Deputy to the General Court in 1689, and for eleven years served as Selectman. His first service was in 1670, and his last year 1701. His children were:—

Henry, b. June 1, 1666, d. April 29, 1668.

Sarah, b. March 30, 1670, d. unmarried, November 6, 1732.

Bethiah, b. February 19, 1672.

Henry, b. March 19, 1679, m. Mary Garnzey, late of Milford.

Benjamin, b. February 27, 1781, m. Hannah Colton, daughter of Isaac Colton.

JOSIAH CHAPIN.

Josiah, son of Deacon Samuel, went to Braintree and, according to his mother's will, was a resident there in 1683. He had as below:—

Samuel, b. November 11, 1659.

DAVID CHAPIN.

David Chapin, son of Deacon Samuel, married Lidia Crump, August 29, 1654. He went to Boston and the birth of five children are on record there. Their children were:—

Lidia, b. June 19, 1655.

Caleb, b. April 2, 1657.

JAPHET CHAPIN.

Japhet Chapin, son of Deacon Samuel Chapin, married Abelenah Cooley, daughter of Samuel, of Milford, July 22, 1664. She died November 17, 1711, aged 68, and he married second, Dorothy Root of Enfield, May 31, 1711. He died February 20, 1712, aged 70. He was prominent in town affairs and was eight times chosen Selectman. His children, all by his first wife were:—

Samuel, b. August 4, 1665, m. Hannah Sheldon.

Sarah, b. March 15, 1668 (baptized at Milford), m. Nathaniel Munn.

Thomas, b. May 20, 1671, m. Sarah Wright.

John, b. May 14, 1674, m. Sarah Bridgman.

Ebenezer, b. June 26, 1677, m. Ruth Janes.

Hannah, b. June 21, 1679, d. July 7, 1679.

Hannah, b. July 18, 1680, m. John Sheldon.

David, b. November 16, 1682, m. Sarah Stebbins.

Jonathan, b. February 20, 1685, d. March 1, 1686.

Jonathan, b. September 23, 1688, m. Elizabeth Burt.

JOHN CLARK.

John Clark married Elizabeth Stebbins, daughter of Rowland Stebbins, March 2, 1647. His will was probated in

1684, and his widow died October 28, 1700. Their children were:—

John, b. September 6, 1647, d. December 24, 1717.

Sarah, b. December 27, 1651, m. Richard Barnard, and second, Richard Wait.

Elizabeth, b. February 26, 1651, d. —.

Mary, b. March 31, 1654, m. David Morgan.

GEORGE COLTON.

George Colton, known to his descendants as Quartermaster George, married Deborah Gardner of Hartford in 1664. His wife died September 5, 1689, and he married second, Widow Lydia Lamb, March 1, 1692. She died February 13, 1699 and he died December 17, 1699. For seventeen years he was one of the Selectmen, having first been chosen in 1657. In 1669 he was chosen Deputy to the General Court, to which office he was twice re-elected, sitting in 1671 with Captain William Davis, a son-in-law of William Pynchon, and a non-resident. He received his military title of Quartermaster from the General Court. He was appointed Quartermaster of the Hampshire troop, of which John Pynchon was Captain, in 1668, Ensign of the foot company in 1681 and Lieutenant in 1688. From the frequency that he was called to perform public duties it is evident that he was an influential citizen. His children were:—

Isaac, b. November 21, 1646, m. Mary Cooper.

Ephraim, b. April 9, 1648, m. Mary Drake, and second, Esther Marshfield.

Mercy, b. September 22, 1649, m. Samuel Barnard.

Thomas, b. May 1, 1651, m. Sarah Griswold.

Sarah, b. February 24, 1653, m. Samuel Graves.

Deborah, b. January 25, 1654, m. Nathaniel Bliss, Jr.

Hepzibah, b. January 7, 1656, m. Jonathan Wells.

John, b. April 18, 1659, m. Abigail Parsons, and second, Joanna Wolcott.

Benjamin, b. April 26, 1661, d. young.

ISAAC COLTON.

Isaac Colton, son of Quartermaster George, married Mary Cooper, daughter of Thomas Cooper, June 20, 1670. He died September 3, 1700 and his widow married Edward Stebbins, October 18, 1701, and died August 29, 1742. Isaac's children were:—

Mary, b. March 30, 1671, m. Ebenezer Graves.

Sarah, b. June 11, 1673, d. July 9, 1689.

George, b. June 16, 1677, m. Mary Hitchcock.

Rebecca, b. June 20, 1681, m. Joseph Stebbins, and second, Capt. John Merrick.

Deborah, b. July 26, 1684, m. David Morgan.

Child, b. August 1, 1687.

Hannah, b. August 8, 1688, m. Benjamin Chapin.

Joseph, b. April 20, 1693, m. Abilene Chapin.

Benjamin, b. June 18, 1695, m. Elizabeth Pynchon.

THOMAS COLTON.

Thomas Colton, son of Quartermaster George, married Sarah Griswold of Lyme, Conn., September 11, 1677. She was a daughter of Matthew Griswold. She died September 12, 1690, and he married Hannah Bliss, daughter of Lawrence Bliss, December 17, 1691. He died September 30, 1728, and his widow died November 6, 1737. The children by the first wife were:—

Sarah, b. September 25, 1678, m. Samuel Keep.

Anna, b. December 7, 1680, m. Samuel Porter.

Thomas, b. March 27, 1683, m. Joanna Warriner.

Benjamin, b. February 19, 1684, d. April 5, 1685.

Elizabeth, b. April 5, 1686, m. Joseph Kellogg of Hadley, and second, Joseph Billings.

Matthew, b. February 13, 1688, d. June 6, 1690.

Child, b. September 11, 1690.

Children by the Second Wife.

Hepsibah, b. October 26, 1692, m. Samuel Chandler.

William, b. July 7, 1694, m. Mary Merrick, and second, Widow Mercy Colton.

Ebenezer, b. July 23, 1696, m. Deborah Chandler.
 Joseph, b. August 27, 1698, d. September 10, 1698.
 Isaac, b. October 10, 1700, m. Esther Marshfield.
 Hannah, b. July 11, 1703, m. Nathaniel Munn, Jr.
 Dinah, b. January 31, 1706, d. May 5, 1706.
 Abner, b. June 17, 1709, d. February 24, 1710.

JOHN COLTON.

John Colton, son of Quartermaster George, married Abigail Parsons, daughter of Cornet Joseph Parsons, February 19, 1684. She died June 27, 1689, and he married Joanna Wolcott, daughter of Simon Wolcott of Windsor, September 2, 1690. He died February 3, 1727, and his widow January 10, 1755. His children by his first wife were:—

Abigail, b. January 4, 1685, m. Francis Griswold.
 Mary, b. May 1, 1689, d. June 16, 1690.

Children by the Second Wife.

Sarah, b. September 2, 1692, m. Benjamin Smith, Jr.
 Martha, b. January 4, 1694, m. Luke Hitchcock.
 Joanna, b. —, m. Jonathan Cooley.
 John, b. May 9, 1697, m. Mercy Stebbins.
 Mary, b. —, m. Samuel Keep.
 George, b. May 27, 1702, d. February 25, 1725.
 Eunice, b. February 22, 1705, m. John Ely, second, Roger Wolcot, and third, Joel White.
 Simon, b. October 26, 1707, d. —.
 Roger, b. October 26, 1707.
 Simon, b. —, 1709, m. Abigail Burt, and second, Rebecca Hale.

BENJAMIN COOLEY.

Benjamin Cooley was here in 1644, his name appearing in the records of that year. Two years after his arrival he was chosen a Selectman and served in that office 18 years, the longest period of service given by any one person. He was much employed in town affairs and was on all important committees during his active life. Samuel Terry was bound to service by William Pyncheon to Benjamin Cooley, "weaver," for three years and six months, and it would appear that

Cooley must have been engaged in weaving in England before coming to this country. His marriage is not on record here. He died August 17, 1684, and his wife, Sarah, died August 23, 1684. Their children born here were:—

- Bethia, b. September 16, 1644, m. Henry Chapin.
- Obadiah, b. January 27, 1647, m. Rebecca Williams.
- Eliakim, b. January 8, 1649, m. Hannah Ribbals.
- Daniel, b. May 2, 1651, m. Elizabeth Wolcott.
- Sarah, b. February 27, 1654, m. Jonathan Morgan.
- Benjamin, b. September 1, 1656, m. Abigail Bagg.
- Mary, b. June 22, or 24, 1659, m. Thomas Terry.
- Joseph, b. March 6, 1662, m. Mary Griswold.

OBADIAH COOLEY.

Obadiah Cooley, son of Benjamin and Sarah, married Rebecca Williams at Windsor. She was a daughter of John Williams. He died September 3, 1690, and his widow married John Warner, and died October 18, 1715. Obadiah's children were:—

- Rebecca, b. August 23, 1671, m. John Weller.
- Sarah, b. August 3, 1673, m. Tilley Merrick.
- Mary, b. December 19, 1675, m. John Ferry.
- Obadiah, b. August 1, 1678, m. Dorcas Hale.
- Anna, b. March 5, 1681, m. Nathan Collins.
- Joseph, b. November 12, 1683, m. Margaret MacCranny.
- Jonathan, b. June 28, 1686, m. Joanna Colton.

BENJAMIN COOLEY, JR.

Benjamin Cooley, Jr., married by John Pynchon, February 7, 1695, to Abigail Bagg, daughter of John Bagg. He died November 29, 1731, and his widow died January 27, 1739. Their children were:—

- Abigail, b. October 28, 1695, m. Henry Wolcott.
- Daughter, b. October 25, 1697, d. October 27, 1697.
- Daughter, s. b. August 23, 1698.
- Son, b. and d. November 24, 1699.
- Daughter, b. d. April 25, 1705.
- Lydia, b. September 5, 1706, m. Amos Stiles.

ELIAKIM COOLEY.

Eliakim Cooley, son of Benjamin and Sarah, married Hannah Ribbals, daughter of Thomas Ribbals, March 12, 1679. He died December 1, 1711, and she December 16, 1711. Their children were:—

- Hannah, b. December 24, 1679, m. Hezekiah Parsons.
- Eliakim, b. March 19, 1681, m. Griswold Beckwith.
- Samuel, b. November 30, 1683, m. Mary Clark.
- Mercy, b. April 26, 1698, m. John Morgan.
- Daughter, b. July 19, 1694, d. August 9, 1694.

DANIEL COOLEY.

Daniel Cooley, son of Benjamin, married December 8, 1680 Elizabeth Wolcott, daughter of Simon Wolcott of Windsor. His wife died January 31, 1707, and he married Widow Lydia Burt, June 17, 1709. He died February 9, 1727, and his widow January 31, 1739. His children, all by his first wife, were:—

- Benjamin, b. October 8, 1681, m. Margaret Bliss.
- Daniel, b. March 23, 1684, m. Jemima Clark.
- Simon, b. March 6, 1687, m. Elizabeth Gunn of Hatfield.
- John, b. February 23, 1689, m. Mercy Gunn.
- Thomas, b. June 23, 1693, m. Rebecca Elmer.
- Elizabeth, b. July 23, 1696, m. Joshua Field.
- William, b. August 12, 1698, m. Elizabeth Clark.

JOSEPH COOLEY.

Joseph Cooley, son of Benjamin and Sarah, married Mary Griswold, January 22, 1684. He moved with his son Joseph to Somers, Conn., about 1730. His wife died July 13, 1739, and he died May 20, 1740. Their children were:—

- Mary, b. October 1, 1685, m. Joseph Loomis.
- Joseph, b. January 31, 1686, m. Mary Dorchester.
- Deborah, b. February 29, 1691, m. Joshua Loomis.
- Abigail, b. February 29, 1691, m. Daniel Parsons.
- George, b. January 27, 1698, d. May 22, 1704.

THOMAS COOPER.

Thomas Cooper, frequently mentioned in the records as Ensign or Lieut. Thomas, married before he came here Sarah —. He came from England in the ship "Christian," arriving in Boston in 1635, at the age of 18 years. He went to Windsor in 1641 and came here in 1643. He built the first meeting-house in Springfield in 1645, for which the town agreed to give him "four score pounds." He was chosen on the first Board of Selectmen and served seventeen years. He was elected a Deputy to the General Court in 1688, serving one year. His homelot was the one granted to John Cable, who sold it to the town on his departure for Fairfield, Conn. Cooper purchased it of the town in 1643 for £25. It was 14 rods wide and extended from the river eastward across the wet meadow and thence upon the highland, eighty rods beyond. It was situated next north of William Pynchon's homelot, and was where the railroad now crosses Main Street. Cooper in May, 1654, sold from this purchase the "Hassky" meadow containing 2 acres lying between the street and the upland to the east, for 30 shillings to John Pynchon.

It has been inferred that Thomas Cooper's wife was before marriage Mary Slye. In the 50th volume, page 355, of the Historical and Genealogical Register, is the will of Capt. Robert Slye of Bushwood, St. Mary's County, Md., in which under certain contingencies he deeded lands to "my nephews Timothy and Thomas Cooper, both of Springfield in New England." Captain Slye may have married a sister of Lieut. Thomas Cooper. If not, then Thomas's wife was a Slye.

He served on many important committees of a public nature, and was appointed by the General Court to be one of the Commissioners to establish the bounds of Hadley, and also to lay out the town of Suffield.

He was an active business man for that period and had extensive dealings with Pynchon, of whom he bought trading cloth and other goods which he exchanged with the Indians for beaver skins. In May, 1652, Pynchon made this entry in his books: "Sold him the Comoditys here following, to

be pd in Bever at currant prices or in good wampum Some-time wthin y^e yeare." In this purchase was 107 yards of Red Shag Cotton at 3s pr. yd., £16 1s; "Blew" trading cloth, 206 yards, £90 18s 9d. In the credits were 206 lbs. of beaver at 9s, £92 14s; 399 1-2 lbs. of beaver at 10s, £199, 15s. Under date of February 14, 1658, is this entry: "I Thomas Cooper Doe hereby acknowledge to have Recd of Mr. John Pynchon a psell of English goods as they cost in England to y^e Sum of Seventeene pounds, w^{ch} sum of Seventeene pounds sterling I ingage to pay in England by michalstide next, to whom Mr. John Pynchon shall appoint me in London in England, I ingage to make such allowance as is fit & meete & hereto set my hand this 14th Febr 1658. Thomas Cooper."

Below in Pynchon's hand, as was the above agreement, is this: "Aco^{ts} concerning this £17 were examined & set to rights by Brother Holyoke & Deacon Chapin, & all differences & offences have Issued & satisfied, I abated 20s & y^e rest is pd me this 17 of January, 1660."

The balance in the accounts against Cooper in 1653 was £262, in 1655 £391, in 1658 £682, but sale of beaver and work performed at different times reduced them to a much smaller amount at some period in the year. There does not appear to have been any stated time with Pynchon for settlement with any of his customers, the amount of the account appears to have determined the time of striking a balance to which the debtor set his hand.

The killing of Thomas Cooper by the Indians when they burned Springfield, October 5, 1675, which has been told in the previous volume, must have caused a great shock to the community and his tragic death brought a realizing sense of the defenseless condition of every settlement exposed to a treacherous foe. That Thomas Cooper should have had perfect confidence in his ability to dissuade the Indians from hostile intentions is not strange. He had been among them for many years and must have been on familiar terms with all the leading Indians within many miles of Springfield. Below is the record of his family:—

Sarah, b. before coming here, m. Thomas Day, October 27, 1659.

Timothy, b. April 26, 1644, m. Elizabeth Munson.

Thomas, b. July 3, 1646, m. Desire Lamberton.

Elizabeth, b. February 23, 1648.

Mary, b. May 15, 1651, m. Isaac Colton.

John, b. April 12, 1654, d. —.

A child, b. —, d. April 17, 1656.

Rebecca, b. May 15, 1657, m. John Clark of Northampton.

John, b. April 9, 1659, went to Newark, N. J.

TIMOTHY COOPER.

Timothy Cooper, son of Thomas, married Elizabeth Munson, October 19, 1664. The date of his death is not on record. He succeeded to his father's homelot and engaged with John Pynchon in trade at Albany, N. Y., where he was not successful, or died not long afterwards. One of his sons, John, went to Newark, New Jersey. The widow deeded her dower in lands in Springfield, Fort Albany, and in New Jersey in 1680, and he may have died soon after beginning trade in connection with Pynchon. In his account book Pynchon made this entry of an agreement: "April 28, 1675. An agreement with Timothy Cooper to carry on trade together at Albany for 7 years or more If we Se Cause, is: That we goe Joint Partners in y^e Trade, I to p'vide & furnish y^e s^d Timothy wth Goods, £300 or £400 at p'sent, & afterwards £500 or £600 pr annum, more or less, as falls in, He answering the Principall, being yearly to make venture to Boston in y^e adventure, & whereof we run halves, being Joint in y^e p'fit & loss of the whole trade in w^{ch} Timothy Cooper buys goods [if] I have them, & in consideration of his Paines, tyme & expenses & care in managing of y^e Trade there at Albany, Besides my taking care of p'viding & suiting him wth Goods, I also at my charge to p'vide him a house of mine for him to dwell in & trade in, he keeping it in repare as also to allow & pay him £10 the first year, the 2d year £20 & so £20 a year to y^e end of y^e tyme."

Timothy had an open account with Pynchon before making the above agreement, and rum and sugar were important items in the charges, indicating that he was fond of tipling, or was buying to sell. Under the agreement he purchased a quantity in which £5 were charged "for copper lace, £2 2s for 2000 steel Mackrill hooks, 7s 6d for 3 doz Cod-hooks, £1 4s for 2 doz Tin shows," [shoes] and also £305 6s 1d "To a psell of Goods Bought at Boston of Mr. Usher & Mr Sergant with wine Rum &c. all as pr aco^t in my Pocket Booke." His latest purchases as shown in the accounts were made in November, 1675. After his death Pynchon obtained judgment against his estate and took possession of the homelot, which he sold to Cornet Joseph Parsons, under date of November 20, 1679. In 1680 the widow of Timothy Cooper deeded to Pynchon her dower in lands at Springfield, at Fort Albany and in New Jersey. In 1686 the widow brought suit against Joseph Parsons' estate to recover her thirds, but the jury found for the defendant. The children of Timothy and Elizabeth were:—

Sarah, b. March 17, 1666.

Thomas, b. January 12, 1667.

John, b. January 24, 1670, went to Newark, N. J.

Elizabeth, b. January 21, 1672.

THOMAS COOPER, JR.

Thomas Cooper, Jr., married Desire Lambertson, August, 1667, daughter of George Lambertson, who was lost at sea in 1647, and whose mother married Stephen Goodyear. Thomas went to Middletown, Conn., and was a resident there in 1705 when he and his wife deeded property to Samuel Cooper of Springfield. Their children were:—

Samuel, b. June 7, 1673, m. Dorothy —, Mary Rogers and Mary Ashley.

Thomas, b. September 4, 1678.

Desire, b. February 14, 1684.

Child, b. and d. January 26, 1686.

JOSEPH CROWFOOT.

Joseph Crowfoot married Mary Hilliard, April 15, 1658, possibly a daughter of John Hilliard of Windsor. He died at Northampton and his widow married John Mathews, the John who used "to beat the drum for Sunday meetings and lecture days." Their children were:—

Joseph, b. June 29, 1660, went to Wethersfield.

Mary, b. December 4, 1661.

John, b. August 2, 1663, m. Sarah Kent.

Samuel, b. October 13, 1665, m. Mary Warner, daughter of Isaac Warner of Northfield. He d. February 10, 1733, his wife d. April 9, 1702.

James, b. January 23, 1667, went to Danbury, Conn.

Daniel, b. January 23, 1669.

Matthew, b. April 5, 1672, m. Hannah Knowlton, Jr. He had no children, d. July 16, 1718.

David, b. October 11, 1674.

Sarah, b. August 13, 1677, d. March 28, 1678.

ROBERT DAY.

Robert Day of Hartford was the father of Thomas Day, who settled in Springfield. Robert came from Ipswich, England, in the Elizabeth, to Boston in 1634. He was accompanied by his wife, Mary, and they first settled in Cambridge. He was made a freeman May 6, 1635, and in 1639 was a resident of Hartford. He appears to have married in Hartford a second wife, Editha Stebbins, a sister of Deacon Edward Stebbins of Hartford, by whom he had four children, two sons and two daughters. He died at Hartford in 1648, aged 44 years. His widow married Deacon John Maynard of Hartford, and in 1658 she married Elizur Holyoke of Springfield. Holyoke died February 6, 1676 and she died October 24, 1688. The children of Robert Day, by his second wife, were:—

Thomas, m. Sarah Cooper of Springfield.

John, m. Mary Maynard.

Sarah, m. Nathaniel Gunn of Hartford, September, 1658; second, Samuel Kellogg of Hatfield, November 24, 1664; slain by the Indians with her son Joseph, September 19, 1677.

Mary, m. Samuel Ely of Springfield, October 28, 1659; second, Thomas Stebbins, April 12, 1694; third, Deacon John Coleman of Hatfield, December 11, 1696, d. in Hatfield in 1725.

THOMAS DAY.

Thomas Day, son of Robert Day of Hartford, married Sarah Cooper, daughter of Lieut. Thomas Cooper, who was born before her father came to Springfield. He died December 27, 1711, and his widow died November 21, 1726. Their children were:—

Thomas, b. March 23, 1662, m. Elizabeth Merrick.

Sarah, b. January 14, 1664, m. John Burt.

Mary, b. December 15, 1666, m. John Merrick.

John, b. February 20, 1668, d. August 6, 1670.

Samuel, b. May 20, 1671, m. Marah Dumbleton.

John, b. September 20, 1673, m. Marah Smith and Widow Hannah Kent.

Ebenezer, b. February 18, 1675, d. June 12, 1676.

Ebenezer, b. September 5, 1677, m. Mercy Hitchcock.

Jonathan, b. August 8, 1680, m. Mercy Burt.

Abigail, b. 1683, m. Samuel Warriner.

THOMAS DAY, JR.

Thomas Day, Jr., married Elizabeth Merrick, January 28, 1685, daughter of Thomas Merrick. They went to Colchester, Conn. Their children were:—

Elizabeth, b. February 28, 1687.

Thomas, b. October 23, 1689.

Sarah, b. September 30, 1691.

Ebenezer, b. August 1, 1694.

Jonathan, b. May 20, 1697.

Deborah, b. September 14, 1699.

Nathan, b. November 5, 1701.

DANIEL DENTON.

Daniel Denton was admitted as an inhabitant in 1675, and for a time was the schoolmaster. He served for a short time as Town Clerk and in 1681 was elected a Selectman. He married Hannah Leonard, daughter of John and Sarah. This was his second or third marriage. Their children were:

Hannah, b. August 5, 1677.

Samuel, b. September 29, 1679.

Sarah, b. —, d. November —, 1681.

ANTHONY DORCHESTER.

Anthony Dorchester and his wife, Sarah, came here from Windsor and brought three children John, James and Mary. His wife died here November 9, 1649, and he married Widow Martha Kritchwell, January 2, 1651. She died December 17, 1662. He married third the widow of John Harmon, and and died August 28, 1682, or 3. His widow, Elizabeth, died May 16, 1699, aged 92. His children by the first wife were:

John, b. at Windsor, November 5, 1644, m. Mary Harmon.

James, b. —, m. Sarah Parsons.

Mary, b. —, m. John Harmon.

Children by the Second Wife.

Benjamin, b. October 9, 1651, m. Sarah Burt.

Sarah, b. October 16, 1653, m. Joseph Stebbins.

Hester, b. October 25, 1656, d. November 17, 1662.

JOHN DORCHESTER.

John Dorchester, son of Anthony, married Mary Harmon, daughter of John Harmon, April 20, 1671. They had no children, and he died October 5, 1705.

JAMES DORCHESTER.

James Dorchester, son of Anthony, married Sarah Parsons, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah, March 1, 1677. He

died November 10, 1732. His widow, Sarah, died June 27, 1740. Their children were:—

James, b. February 27, 1678, d. December 29, 1679.

James, b. December 14, 1679, d. March 15, 1681.

Rebecca, b. February 27, 1680.

John, b. September 30, 1682.

James, Jr., b. September 15, 1685, m. Lydia Preston.

Joseph, b. October 21, 1688.

Sarah, b. March 2, 1692, m. Thomas Bliss, 3rd.

Mary, b. September 30, 1694, m. Joseph Cooley.

HUGH DUDLEY.

Hugh Dudley came from Barnet, England, and was here in 1650. He married Mary Copsey, who was in the employ of John Pynchon, October 30, 1656. His homelot was between the present Auburn and Seventh Streets. He had no children born here and his name disappeared from the records. At one time he was a resident of Westfield. He had several grants of land, the title to which passed to John Pynchon to satisfy sundry store debts. His wife was a servant in Pynchon's family, and evidently her labor went to Pynchon in payment of her expenses to this country. In his account book is this entry: "Agreed with Mary Copsey to take wages instead of finding her clothes. I am to allow her 50 shillings a year, her year to begin in September, 1653." A few days later she gets charged to her at the Pynchon store, shoes, stockings and a black hat, the latter costing £1. In 1656 she was owing Pynchon £4 6s 8d, but he enters this: "I have abated of this debt to Mary £1 10s, So it is but £2 16s 8d, which I have posted to Hugh Dudley, his reckoning." September 28, 1656: "Hugh Dudley rests indebted to Mr. Pynchon 4s 6d. More which Mary Copsey owed me & he engages to pay me £2 16s 8d. Also he owes me for Marys tyme which I release to Hugh Dudley upon his paying me £4. Y^e whole debt to me is £7 1s 2d."

"October 9th, 1656, Hugh Dudley his debt to me in all is

seven pounds one shilling. He p'mises to pay it to me, or my assignes y^e one half by y^e 1st of September next, & for your sure and true performance hereafter y^e s^d Hugh doe hereby ingage his land to Mr. Pynchon for his securing, viz: 10 acres in homelot, wet meddow & woodlot & 10 acres over y^e river in y^e 3^d division." To this Hugh Dudley set his hand and Thomas Cooper was witness to the same.

Hugh received £5 from his mother in England and Pynchon discounted £2 and remarks: "So of y^t debt on y^e other side, of £7 1s 2d, there is due to me but 1s 2d." In 1669 he was owing Pynchon £12 7s and more lands were put up as security. On November 16, 1669, Hugh and Mary, his wife, signed a mortgage deed conveying the same to Pynchon, for which he enters in his accounts: "Received by land for this debt of twelve pound seven shillings. Hugh Dudley, his wife acknowledging consent thereto, doth Ingage & make over to me for my security his 3^d division Lot over y^e Great River, containing ten acres lying betwixt y^e Towne Lot & Benjamin Mun, & also five acres within y^e fence. Lately given him by y^e Towne, both w^{ch} p'sells of Land are to stand firmly engaged to me for this debt, only it is conditioned y^t if he pay it in England, or at his return hither, p'vide it be Two yeers after this tyme, then he is to have his Land: otherwise it is to answer this debt."

Dudley appears to have gone to England at a previous date and Pynchon paid his passage for which he took of him "a ring as he considers Gold, 8s 6d, and 20 shillings which I allow you on y^e land I have of you in y^e 3^d Division, 10 acres & six acres within y^e fence." Whether Hugh and his wife finally returned to England or not it is not known. His last settlement with Pynchon is under date of January 26, 1676. The store accounts appear to have been his misfortune and they swallowed up his landed interests about as fast as he could get grants from the town, and John Pynchon added them to his own estate.

JOHN DUMBLETON.

John Dumbleton and his wife, Mercy, were here in 1650. He died July 27, 1702, and she died July 4, 1704. Their children were:—

John, b. January 2, 1650, m. Lydia Leonard. He was killed by the Indians October 27, 1675. His widow m. Joseph Bedortha.

Mercy, b. March 1, 1652, m. Samuel Bedortha, d. in 1689.

Sarah, b. January 5, 1654, m. Josiah Leonard.

Samuel, b. May 12, 1657, d. June 10, 1657.

Samuel, b. May 15, 1658.

Lydia, b. April 16, 1661, m. first, Jonathan Burt, and second, Daniel Cooley.

Nathaniel, b. June 10, 1664, m. Hannah Allen.

Rebecca, b. October 4, 1667, m. Joseph Leonard.

Mary, b. —, m. Joseph Bedortha, d. 1676.

Elizabeth, b. —, m. Nathaniel Burt.

Hannah, b. —, m. Thomas Merrick, Jr.

NATHANIEL DUMBLETON.

Nathaniel Dumbleton, son of John and Mary, married Hannah Allen of Northampton, December 29, 1696. He died February 13, 1737. Their children were:—

John, b. October 27, 1697, d. November 28, 1697.

Elizabeth, b. March 20, 1699, m. Zachariah Walker, and second, Lieutenant Benjamin Sheldon.

Hannah, b. November 20, 1704, m. Lambertton Cooper.

John, b. June 10, 1701, d. April 22, 1756.

Nathaniel, b. July —, 1706, d. September 3, 1706.

Mary, b. February 9, 1708, not married in 1758, d. January 19, 1779, at Wilbraham.

Nathaniel, b. —, d. December 8, 1711.

Samuel, b. June 21, 1713, m. Mercy Tousley.

ALEXANDER EDWARDS.

Alexander Edwards came from Wales to this country and after settling in Springfield married Sarah Searle, the widow of John Searle, April 28, 1642. He had born here seven children and then went to Northampton in 1654 or 5. From him have descended the large number who bear the family name in this region and the many who have gone to other parts of the country. The children born here were:—

Samuel, b. September 1, 1643.

Hannah, b. February 18, 1645.

Joseph, b. August 8, 1647.

Mary, b. September 20, 1649, m. John Field.

Benjamin, b. June 24, 1652.

Sarah, b. October 21, 1654.

DANIEL ELMER.

Daniel Elmer married Mary Parsons, daughter of Ebenezer and Margaret, December 31, 1713. He had a son Daniel, born here October 25, 1715. He went to Westboro, and was back here in 1724. He was also for a time a resident of Brookfield, and went to Newark, N. J., afterward. He was a minister.

NATHANIEL ELY.

The Ely Genealogy states that Nathaniel came in the bark Elizabeth from Ipswich, England, to Boston, in 1634, and first settled in Cambridge, where he was made a freeman in 1635. In June, 1636, he was one of Rev. Thomas Hooker's colony which went from Cambridge to Hartford. In 1639 he was made a Constable in Hartford and in 1643 and 1649 was one of the Selectmen. In 1649 he and Richard Olmstead petitioned the General Court for leave to make a settlement in Norwalk, which was granted. In 1650 he removed to that place. In 1659 he sold his interest in lands there and came to Springfield. He was keeper of the "ordinary" and was licensed "to that work as also for selling wines and strong liquors, for y^e year ensuing, Provided he keep good

rule and order in his house." He continued to keep the "ordinary" up to his death in 1675. He was before the courts for violating the law once for "selling four quarts of cider to the Indians," and in 1674 he was presented "for not keeping beer in his house according to law, after the rate of 4 bushels of good barley malt to y^e hhd, and further he said he would not be turned out of his way; whereupon y^e Court fyned him 40s for y^e use of the County, all persons also judging this beere farr below that rule in y^e law." He said of late he had kept only table beer, but could not say it was according to law.

He was chosen Selectman in 1662 and held that office five years. He came to Springfield about 1660, and he and his son Samuel were admitted as inhabitants that year. He died December 25, 1675, and his widow October 23, 1683. He had two children, as follows:—

Samuel, who married Sarah Day, of Hartford.

Ruth, who married Jeremy Horton.

SAMUEL ELY.

Samuel Ely, son of Nathaniel, married Mary Day, daughter of Robert Day of Hartford, October 28, 1659. He died March 17, 1692. His widow married Thomas Stebbins, who died December 7, 1695, and she married Deacon John Coleman, Sr., December 16. Her daughter, Mary, married Deacon Coleman's son. Their children were:—

Child, b. —, d. May 3, 1660.

Samuel, b. March 1, 1662, d. March 22, 1662.

Joseph, b. August 20, 1663, m. Mary Riley, daughter of John Riley.

Samuel, b. November 4, 1664, d. February 18, 1665.

Mary, b. March 29, 1667, d. November 11, 1667.

Samuel, b. May 9, 1668, m. Martha Bliss.

Nathaniel, b. January 18, 1671, d. March 11, 1671.

Jonathan, b. July 1, 1672, d. July 10, 1672.

Nathaniel, b. April 25, 1674, d. May —, 1689.

Jonathan, b. January 24, 1676, d. February 27, 1676.

Martha, b. October 28, 1677, d. November 25, 1677.

John, b. January 28, 1679, m. Mercey Bliss.

Mary, b. June 20, 1681, d. December 21, 1681.

Jonathan, b. January 21, 1682, m. Lydia Burt.

Mary, b. February 29, 1684, m. Nathaniel Coieman.

Ruth, b. —, 1688, m. Ebenezer Warner.

RICHARD EVERETT.

Among those who witnessed the signing of the deed conveying the lands in and about Springfield from the Indians to William Pynchon, Henry Smith and Jehu Burr, July 15, 1636, was Richard Everett. He was a young man and eight years afterwards he married Mary Winch, who had come in the ship Francis from Ipswich, England, to this country, in the family of Rowland Stebbins, in 1638, at the age of 15, and came to Springfield with Stebbins's family. On June 29, 1643, she married Everett, who did not remain here long after that event. His biographer claims that he was previously married and had several children by his first wife. He went to Dedham from here and made there a permanent home. He has had a long line of distinguished descendants in the vicinity of Boston, among them Edward Everett, President of Harvard College and a United States Senator in Congress. Mr. Edward F. Everett, A. M., member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, one of Richard's descendants, has written by request an extended account of him during his residence in Springfield and in Dedham, which follows:—

No definite information has yet been obtained of the arrival of Richard Everett in New England, nor from what part of England he came. From the fact that he was for several years in the employ of William Pynchon, that Pynchon himself was connected by marriage with the Everard family of County Essex, England, and that Richard was a very common baptismal name in the same Everard family, it is surmised that Richard Everett was born in County Essex.

In the book, "Descendants of John Dwight, of Dedham, Mass.," it is stated, in a foot note, that "Richard Everett and wife, Mary, came in the same ship with original John Dwight," but no authority is given. The same book says that John Dwight came in 1634-5, from Dedham, England.

Tradition says that he first settled in Watertown, Mass., but no record has been found showing this to be a fact; neither is there any record of his marriage to his first wife, Mary —, or birth of his first two children, John and Israel.

In the "Note Book kept by Thomas Lechford, Esq.," the first lawyer in Boston, 1638-1641, is a copy of a mortgage, given by "Richard Evered, of Dedham, in New England, Pharier," on the "16th day of March A. D., 1638," to "Thomas Nelson of Boston in New England, gent." for "tenne pounds on his house and lott, lying in Cambridge in New England, and 6 acres of arrable land thereto adjoining and 5 acres of medowe thereto belonging, wth the appurtenancies." This mortgage does not appear on any registry of deeds, neither do the "Proprietors records of the town of Cambridge" mention any grant of land to him; yet this shows that he owned property there, and would tend to the belief that he first settled there; it may have been near the dividing line of Watertown, and in changing that line he may have been changed from one town to the other.

In the year 1636 it is known that he was with William Pynchon, who conducted a party of settlers, with their families, through the wilderness, to the Connecticut River, to a place called Agawam, now known as Springfield. There, on the 15th of July, 1636, he made his mark as one of the white witnesses to the Indian deed, transferring the land to William Pynchon, Henry Smith and Jehu Burr. This is the first positive date that can be attached to him.

In the very next month, 18th of August, we find him back in Watertown, attending the first recorded meeting of the proprietors of the new town, called by them "Contentment," but which the General Court later ordered to be called "Dedham," as supposed, in honor of John Dwight, who came from

Dedham, Eng., and settled in Dedham, Mass. Everett's name is entered in the record, "Eu'ard."

The proprietors held another meeting on the 29th, but he was not there. On the 5th of September following he was present, and his name was attached to a communication to the General Court, accepting the grant. His name was spelled "Euered," and this continued to be the spelling for several years.

On the 31st December 1636, he was again present at the Dedham proprietors meeting.

In the following spring at Springfield, 20th March, 1637, a town meeting ordered John Searl and Richard Everet to lay out 24 acres of mowing marsh for Mr. Pynchon.

A year later, 20th February, 1637-8, he is present at a town meeting in Dedham. In the following month, 21st March, 1638 he was reported to have been present in Springfield, at the very exciting interview between Capt. John Mason and William Pynchon, as graphically described in the History of Springfield, by Mason A. Green (pp. 24-28). In this account he is called Mr. Pynchon's "trader."

On the 28th August and 23d November, the same year, he is recorded as being present at town meetings in Dedham. On the 3d January 1638-9, at Springfield, a general meeting of the plantation appointed a committee of six to lay out bounds both sides of the river, and he was named as one of that committee. This committee appears to have given prompt attention to their work, as they made their report five days later on the 8th January. At the next town meeting in Springfield, 13th of the same month, an assessment was laid to pay a portion of the cost of building the minister's house and another assessment to pay his salary. Everett was assessed £1:10s for the former, and £1 for the latter. Three days later he received his only grant of land in Springfield, a lot one rod wide, between John Woodcock's pall, and Goodman Gregory's lot. This lot of one rod wide was probably taken of the town with the view of adding it to Gregory's lot, which Everett was intending to purchase. The committee

on certain highways in 1770 reported: "Comparing Thomas Stebbins record with what was written in the old Town Booke, bearing date of January 16, 1638, namely, It is ordered that three rod wide of ground which lyes betwixt John Woodcocks pall and Goodman Gregorys that 2 rods shall be appropriated to Goodman Gregory, and one rod to Richard Everett. Goodman Gregory sold his lot to the town, and May 1st, 1645, the town gave said lot to Thomas Stebbins, but we find no mention of that rod that was given to Richard Everett, who deserted the Town. We suppose it fell into the Townes hands again."

On the 25th March, 1639, two months later, he was present at a Dedham town meeting. For the next 21 months we hear no more of him; undoubtedly he was most of the time at Springfield. On the 29th December, 1640, he is again recorded present at a Dedham town meeting. Up to the preceding May, all affairs had been managed by the town meetings, but in that month it was voted to put the execution of common affairs in the hands of 7 men, who thus came to be called Selectmen.

In 1641 he is in Springfield, when a town meeting orders a new road laid out by the side of his lot. We do not hear from him again for nearly two years, when he is recorded present at the Dedham annual town meeting, 2d January, 1642-3. Meanwhile he has been receiving grants of land in Dedham,—his dividends as a proprietor. On the 6th February, 1642-3, he received 7 acres, 2 roods, 1 pole. This was upland ground for ploughing, being a dividend of land among all inhabitants,—68 in number; in this division only 9 had larger lots, showing that he was a thrifty, forehanded man, accumulating a goodly amount of this world's goods.

The next month he is again noted at Springfield, 14th March, 1642-3, when Henry Gregory proposes to sell his land to Richard Everett, but the town took it themselves. Three months later appears the last record of him, in Springfield. Under the date of 29th June, 1643, in the Town Records, is entered the marriage of Richard Everett and Mary

Winch; she came in the "Francis" of Ipswich, April, 1638, in the family of Rowland Stebbins, aged 15.

From that time forward he made Dedham his permanent home. At the annual town meetings, January 1, 1643-4, and 1644-5, he is recorded as being present. This last meeting is one of the most important town meetings ever held, and was far in advance of the times, as it inaugurated the system of free town schools in America, by a vote as follows: "The s^d Inhabitants takeing into Consideration the great nesitie of providing some meanes for the Education of the youth of o^r s^d Towne did with a vnanimous consent declare by voate their willingnes to promote that worke promising to put too their hands to prouide maintenance for a Free Schoole in our said Towne.

"And farther did resolue & consent testefying it by voate to rase the some of Twenty pounds p annu: towards the maintaining of a Schoole m^r to keep a free Schoole in our s^d Towne."

Forty-two names are recorded as being present, among whom were Richard Everett, John Dwight and Ralph Wheelock, ancestors respectively of five subsequent college Presidents: Edward Everett of Harvard, Alexander H. Everett of Jefferson, Timothy Dwight of Yale, Eleazer and John Wheelock of Dartmouth.

In 1645 the "Great playne" was ordered fenced, and each proprietor was made to build a certain length in proportion to land owned; out of 70 owners, he was the 13th in amount required.

He was admitted into the church in Dedham, March 6, 1646, and his wife, Mary, was received the same day; on the 15th of the same month, "the children of our brother Everard were baptised."

The General Court made him a freeman, May 6, 1646, and from this time on, he served as town officer, and on town committees, frequently being called on to lay out lots and roads. The first was January 1, 1646-7, when, with two others, he was appointed to lay out to Richard Wheeler and

John Farrington, two acres of upland "beyond the house Lott of the said Richard Euered."

The first tax found against him is for his "countrey rate," in 1648, when his house was valued at £4:6:10, being the 57th in point of value, out of 80, and his tax was 3s., being the 78th out of 90 persons assessed.

He gradually acquired property, his tax increasing year by year, until 1660, when he was third in amount assessed, out of 87 names. About this time his children began to get married, to each of whom he gave lands, and his assessed value and tax began to drop.

In 1649 he was reported behind in his highway tax, and fined 2s. In 1650 he was on a committee to take care of repairing the bridge over the little river near the house of John Dwight, and the bridge over the mill creek. At the town meeting, January 1, 1650-1, he is elected one of the 3 surveyors, and constable.

At a meeting of the Selectmen, August 30, this year, they remit the countrey rate of 14 inhabitants, on account of sickness, lameness, &c.; among them was Richard Euered.

He was Constable again in 1652 and '53. In the former year he also served on a committee to lay out the way between Dedham and Braintree, and in the latter year, to lay out two acres beyond the end of the east street to Ralph Freeman. He petitions to have his dividend and the remainder of his purchased land at the southerly end of the south plain, as it abuts upon that brook that runs into south meadow, or if not all there, then what he may with convenience.

In 1655 he was again elected surveyor. The next year the the general town meeting ordered the Selectmen to divide the common rights of feeding, and divisions of land to the present inhabitants, by the rule of persons and estates. Under these instructions, the Selectmen found 79 persons entitled to shares, the richest man in town being Ensign Chickering, with a valuation of £309:16:0; the next was Rev. Mr. John Allen, £261; the 10th was Richard Evered, £185.

In 1659, he was on a committee of three, to act with a

similar committee from Dorchester, to lay out the highway between Dedham and Dorchester, and he was also on a committee of 8, to lay out the 2,000 acres granted by the town to the Indians at Natick.

The Selectmen, in June, 1660, granted him his land adjoining Neponset plain, and northward thereof, or if that is already divided, at a place called "20 acre plain:" it was finally laid out at the latter place.

In 1660 there was an upheaval in town affairs, and so much dissatisfaction with the town officers, that at the annual town meeting, January 1, 1660-61, all were turned out, and a new set elected; among the new Selectmen was Richard Everett; and, furthermore, the town meeting voted that the Selectmen should not have the authority that their predecessors had had. This necessitated numerous town meetings, and at the end of the year a compromise was made, with half of these men re-elected and half of the old set being again chosen to office. In this re-arrangement, Richard Everett lost his position as Selectman, but was appointed fence viewer, and assigned to the low plain. He not only lost his office as Selectman, but he fell behind in his highway work three days, and was ordered to work it out between his house and that of Thomas Metcalf. Still more trouble comes to him, as on the 21st January, 1661-2, a committee is appointed to treat with him, and examine whether all of his ratable estate was given in for the countrey rate. As there is no record of any answer, it is to be presumed that he satisfied the committee.

This year the town clerk spells his name Everit for the first time on the Town Records.

In 1663 he was on a committee to lay out land for John Farrington, upon Neponset plain. In March the proprietors of Woolomonupake (Wrentham), drew their lots. He drew lot No. 8, containing 11 1-2 acres, 24 rods.

In 1664 he served on more land committees, and was again reported behind in his highway tax. There is recorded, this year, a list of all the dwellings, with values thereof. The most valuable is Timothy Dwight, rated at £40; next, Lieft

Josh Fisher, £25; then there are ten, ranging from £20 to £14, followed by 9, at £12, one of which is his. His oldest son, Capt. John's, is valued at £6, and his second son, Samuel, is credited with two, £6 and £4. This year his country rate is again questioned. He appears to have had some horses to board for a Mr. Bumstead, of Boston, and for which he paid no tax; on this account he is assessed 3s 8d more.

In 1665 he stands 15th, out of 89, on the tax list. At a meeting of the Selectmen, 26th of 10th mo., James Mackrorey requests that a grant of five acres of upland, the gift of his father in lawe, Richard Euered, be laid out to him, somewhere neere his house, which was granted.

At a division of land at Meadfield he drew lot No. 70, which appears to have been in the present town of Norfolk.

In 1666 the Selectmen enter on their records a corrected list of legalized voters, 83 in number. Among them are Richard Everett, his two sons, John and Samuel, and son-in-law, Cornelius Fisher.

When the town had selected the 8,000 acres at Pawcomptuke (now Deerfield), granted them by the General Court, in lieu of land at Natick taken by the Indians, they employed Capt. Pynchon as their agent in purchasing the Indian titles. In 1667 the proprietors of this land were assessed to reimburse him for his expenses. It was not then paid, and the assessment was revised in 1669.

He collected from the town, in 1667, 20s for killing two wolves.

In 1669 the town bought from Philip sagamore, all his rights in lands within the town bounds, not yet purchased, for £17:8:0, and the 80 town proprietors were assessed this amount. Everett's share was 6s 9 1-2d; two others paid the same, and eight others paid more, Ensign Fra. Chickering heading the list with 11s 10d, followed by Rev. John Allin, the village pastor, with 8s 9d. The rate was 8d per cow common according to the first grants.

This year appears the first county tax, which was one-half the country, or colony, tax.

On the school tax list of 1670 appears not only Richard Everett, but also his two sons, and two sons-in-law; and henceforth all five names appear on the various tax lists.

The years 1670-71 are years of numerous taxes, not only are the regular country, county, school, and town, but in January one for the minister's salary, followed in October by another to pay his funeral expenses, and the next January to pay the four months' salary due him before his decease.

Richard Everett's active work in town affairs now appears to cease, and the labor falls upon his sons. He pay his taxes as they are assessed, and stands about 10th in wealth on a list that averages 100 names.

In 1673 and '74 a new meeting-house was built, and in assigning the seats many individuals became dissatisfied. From the Town Records it appears that he asked to have his wife's seat changed, saying that the Widow Morse was willing to make a change. This request laid over one town meeting and was then granted.

The Selectmen, the Elder being present, agreed that Sergt. Avery, Sen., and Richard Euerid shall set in the Deacon's seat. The natural inference is that these two men had partly lost their sense of hearing.

January 1, 1678-9, the proprietors divide money in hand from land sold, among themselves, at the rate of 1s per cow common, and Richard Everett received 10s 2d.

March 5, 1678-9, the Selectmen grant him "permission to cut timber from the Towne comon for 200 rayles and posts proportionable." and January 30, 1681-2, they again give him "liberty to take timber of the Town commons for boards to repair his house and barn, so much as is necessary."

The last tax assessed on him was April 27, 1681, and as he died the following year, it is fair to presume he was confined to the house, and perhaps to his bed most of the intervening time, it being a custom of the town to exempt the sick and absentees from town from taxation.

He died July 3, 1682.

Richard Evered made his will, 12 d. 3 mo. 1680, or May

12, 1680, and it was proved July 25, 1682. He names his wife, Mary Evered, and gives her rights in homestead during life or widowhood; names son, Jedediah Evered; daughter, Abigail Puffor; James Mackerwithy and his children, James, Daniell and Mary Mackerwithy, being children he had by my daughter, Mary; grandchild, Sarah ffisher. After wives decease and legacies paid to fower grandchildren above expressed, to be equally divided among five children; son John Evered, Samuell Evered, Jedidiah Evered, dau. Abigall, dau. Ruth; an equal division to these five surviving at my wife's decease. Mary Evered, executrix, and John Evered and Samuel Evered, executors; trusty and well beloved brethren and friends, Leift. Nath. Sterns and Sergt. Tho. Meadcalfe, overseers. (Signed) Richard Evered.

Witnesses, James Thorpe, hannah thorpe.

The seal on the will has raised knobs, showing that the stamp had corresponding depressions. The following affidavit is written on the will: "James Thorpe and Hannah Thorpe made oath in court 25th July, 1682, that they was present wⁿ Richard Evered ordered his name to bee hereunto subscribed and y^t hee did then seale and publish the same to bee his last will and Testam^t and being of sound disposing mind to their best understanding .

(Signed) attest Jas Addington Cl^{re}."

Children by First Wife, Mary.

Capt. John, bapt. 15 d. 1 mo., 1646, in Dedham; d. there June 17, 1715; m. May 13, 1662, in Dedham to Elizabeth Pepper, dau. Robert and Elizabeth (Johnson) Pepper, of Roxbury. She was born May 25, bapt. June 1, 1645, and d. April 1, 1714, in Dedham.

Israel, bapt. 15 d. 1 mo., 1646, in Dedham, and d. there 4 d. 2 mo., 1646.

Mary, b. 28 of the 7 mo., 1638, in Dedham; bapt. 15 d. 1 mo., 1646; d. June 13, 1670; m. 9 mo., 1662, in Dedham, to James Mackerwithy.

Samuel, b. 31 of the 1 mo., 1639-40, in Dedham; bapt. 15 d. 1 m., 1646; and d. there January 26, 1717-8; m. October 28,

1669, Mary Pepper, dau. of Robert and Elizabeth (Johnson) Pepper, of Roxbury. She was b. April 27, 1651.

Sarah, b. 14 of the 1 mo., 1641, in Dedham, and d. there April 1, 1641.

James, b. 14 of the 1 mo., 1643, in Dedham, and d. there April 21, 1643.

By His Second Wife, Mary.

Sarah, b. 12 of the 4 mo., 1644, in Dedham; bapt. 15 d. 1 m., 1646, and d. there, December 28, 1677; m., as 2d wife, July 25, 1665, to Cornelius Fisher, son of Anthony Fisher, of Dorchester. He was probably b. in England.; m. 1st, February 23, 1653, Leah Heaton, of Dorchester, who d. July 12, 1663. He lived in Wrentham, and his will is dated February 3, 1697.

Abigail, b. November 19, bapt. 10th mo., 1647, in Dedham; d. December 27, 1685; m. as 2d wife, April 11, 1677, in Dedham, to Matthias Puffer, prob. 2d son of George Puffer, of Boston. He 1st m. March 18, 1662, Rachel Farnsworth, of Braintree, who, with her eldest son, Joseph, were killed by Indians in 1675, in the attack on Mendon. He m. thirdly, May 14, 1697, Mary Crehore, of Milton. He d. May 9, 1717, in Dorchester.

Israel, b. 14 of the 5 mo., 1651, in Dedham, and d. there 23d. 10 mo., 1678; m. — Abigail Morse, dau. of John and Annis (Chickering) Morse. She was b. 2d., bapt. 8th, 1st mo., 1646, in Dedham, and d. September 23, 1737, in Guilford, Conn. She m. as 2d husband, October 18, 1687, in Watertown, Mass., William Jones, then of Watertown, and son of Deputy Governor William and Hannah (Eaton) Jones, of New Haven.

Ruth, b. 14th 11 mo., 1653-4; bapt. 19th 12 mo., 1653; living, a widow, 1727; m. March 23, 1681, in Dorchester by W^{or}. Joseph Dudley, to Richard Puffer, eldest child of James and Mary (Swalden) Puffer, of Braintree. He was b. March 14, 1657, in Braintree, and d. before February 21, 1724, in Wrentham, when his son, William, was appointed administrator of his estate.

Jedediah, b. 11 d. 5 mo.; bap. 3 d. 6 mo., 1656, in Dedham; d. before 18, 1699, when his brother, Capt. John Everett, was appointed guardian of the 3 oldest children; m., —, Rachel —, probably Rachel Rice, dau. of John and Ann (Hackley) Rice. She was b. September 2, 1664, in Dedham.

College graduates of the name of Everett, direct descendants of Richard Everett.

Harvard College.

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| Rev. and Judge Moses Everett | 1771 |
| Rev. and Judge Oliver Everett | 1779 |
| Moses Everett | 1796 |
| Rev. James Everett | 1802 |
| Alexander Hill Everett | 1806 |
| Ebenezer Everett | 1806 |
| Rev. and Hon. Edward Everett | 1811 |
| Rev. Stevens Everett | 1815 |
| John Everett | 1818 |
| Rev. Oliver Capen Everett | 1832 |
| William Abbot Everett | 1849 |
| Edward Brooks Everett | 1850 |
| Henry Sidney Everett | 1855 |
| Rev. and Hon. William Everett | 1859 |
| Prof. and Rev. Charles Carroll Everett | 1859 t* |
| Edward Franklin Everett | 1860 |
| Dr. Willard Shepard Everett | 1864 m* |
| Dr. Horace Stanward Everett | 1870 m* |
| Dr. Oliver Hurd Everett | 1873 |
| Dr. Theodore Everett | 1888 |
| Henry Lexington Everett | 1889 p* |
| Torrey Everett | 1891 |

(*Note, t, theological; m, medical; p, post-graduate.)

Dartmouth College.

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| Judge Richard Clair Everett | 1790 |
| David Everett | 1795 |
| Rev. Ebenezer Everett | 1813 |
| Prof. Augustus Everett | 1836 |

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| Prof. Erastus Everett | 1836 |
| Dr. Oliver Everett | 1824 |
| Dr. William Everett | 1845 |
| Dr. James Bradley Everett | 1861 |
| Dr. Oliver Austin Everett | 1885 |
| Brown University. | |
| Hon. Horace Everett | 1797 |
| Melatihah Everett | 1802 |
| Dr. Oliver Everett | 1821 |
| Charles Jarvis Everett | 1836 |
| Rev. Frank Adelbert Everett | 1882 |
| Walter Goodnow Everett | 1885 |
| Henry Lexington Everett | 1886 |
| Samuel Andrew Everett | 1891 |
| Eugene Ellsworth Everett | 1894 |
| Amherst College. | |
| Rev. Joel Sumner Everett | 1840 |
| University of Vermont. | |
| Horace Everett | 1837 |
| Edward Everett | 1841 |
| George Leonard Everett | 1848 |
| Bowdoin College. | |
| Rev. Charles Carroll Everett | 1850 |
| Colby College. | |
| Rev. Samuel Everett | 1823 |
| Prof. Franklin Everett | 1838 |
| Yale College. | |
| Rev. Noble Everett | 1775 |
| Daniel Everett | 1785 hon. |
| Dr. Hovey Everett | 1823 |
| Middlebury College. | |
| Dr. Jesse Everett | 1822 |
| Berkshire Medical School (Williams Coll.) | |
| Dr. Oliver Everett | 1836 |

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| Rush Medical School. | |
| Dr. William Law Everett | 1871 |
| Dr. James Marcus Everett | 1877 |
| Jefferson Medical School. | |
| Dr. Edward Samuel Everett | 1882 |
| University of Michigan. | |
| Dr. Robert A. Everett | 1859 |
| Arthur Everett | 1864 |
| Dr. James Marcus Everett | 1874 |
| University of the City of New York. | |
| Dr. John Elmore Everitt | 1887 |
| Dr. Samuel W. Everett | 1850 |
| Mass. Institute of Technology. | |
| Margaret Maria Everett | 1895 |
| Smith College. | |
| Martha Elizabeth Everett | 1888 |
| University of Wisconsin. | |
| Mary Louise Everett | 1895 |

RICHARD EXELL.

Richard Exell married Hannah Reeves, the widow of Thomas Reeves, June 4, 1651, and died February 24, 1714. His name was frequently written Excell, Exsell and Extele by the various Town Clerks. Their children were:—

Mary, b. March 1, 1652, m. Henry Rogers.

John, b. March 31, 1655.

Lydia, b. November 4, 1657, fined for wearing silk in 1676.

Abigail, b. May, 20, 1620.

CHARLES FERRY.

Charles Ferry came here not far from 1661, that year being the first time he is mentioned in the records. He married Sarah, daughter of John Harmon, March 29, 1661. He was chosen one of the Selectmen in 1695 and served only one

year. He died July 3, 1699. His widow, Sarah Ferry, died October 21, 1740. Their children were:—

John, b. November 6, 1662, m. Martha Miller, Mary Mudge, Mary Cooley, and Mary Sweetman.

Charles, b. April 4, 1665, m. Rebecca Burt, and second, Abigail Warner.

Samuel, b. October 27, 1667, d. January 8, 1668.

Sarah, b. December 15, 1668, m. John Warner.

Mary, b. June 6, 1671, m. Nathaniel Burt.

Gershom, b. March 19, 1674, m. Abigail Merrick.

Solomon, b. July 19, 1677, d. February 16, 1683.

Mercy, b. March 12, 1680, m. Ephraim Bartlett.

Elizabeth, b. February 11, 1682.

Solomon, b. July 21, 1686, m. Lydia Peake.

JOHN FERRY.

John Ferry, son of Charles and Sarah, married first, Martha Miller, daughter of Thomas and Sarah, November 11, 1686. She died May 21, 1691, and he married 2d, Mary Mudge, daughter of Micha, November 17, 1692. She died November 3, 1694. He married third, Mary Cooley, daughter of Obadiah and Rebecca, May 28, 1696. She died November 8, 1708. He married fourth, Mary Sweetman, daughter of Thomas Sweetman, August 24, 1720. He died December 23, 1745, aged above 80 years. His children by the first wife were:—

John, b. August 15, 1687, m. Mary Terry. He d. March 24, 1775, aged 88.

Samuel, b. March 27, 1690, m. Margaret Huggins.

Child by Second Wife.

Sarah, b. October 28, 1694, d. November 21, 1694.

Children by Third Wife.

Daughter, b. February 22, d. February 27, 1697.

Joseph, b. October 3, 1698, d. March 31, 1713.

Mary, b. July 20, 1701, m. Jabez Loomis.

Martha, b. September 17, 1703, m. Nathaniel Ely.

There were two more children by this marriage, and one by his last,—Joseph, b. March 14, 1723. He had five wives and was known as Captain Joseph.

CHARLES FERRY, JR.

Charles Ferry, Jr., married Abigail Warner, daughter of Mark Warner of Hadley, May 4, 1693. He died February 26, 1720, and his widow married Thomas Hale, June 3, 1724, and she died October 14, 1748. The children of Charles and Abigail were:—

Charles, b. April 30, 1694, m. Widow Martha Ashley.

Mark, b. March 11, 1696, went to Brimfield.

Abigail, b. February 7, 1698, m. Samuel Janes of Northampton.

Sarah, b. February 28, 1700, m. Benjamin Ball.

Ebenezer, b. April 23, 1702, d. April 25, 1702.

Rebecca, b. April 3, 1703, m. Stephen Warner of Hadley.

Thankful, b. April 3, 1703, d. April 23, 1703.

Mary, b. March 13, 1706, m. Timothy Colton.

Nathaniel, b. October 10, 1708, was at Granby in 1799.

Ebenezer, b. September 29, 1710.

Noah, b. November 11, 1712, m. Experience Allis, went to Hadley and Hatfield, and was at Granby in 1779.

Martha, b. January 17, 1715, d. September 8, 1756, in her 42nd year.

Jonathan, b. February, 1717, m. Elizabeth Ely.

GERSHOM FERRY.

Gershom Ferry, son of Charles and Sarah, married Abigail Merrick, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth, March 5, 1701. He died February 13, 1748, his widow December 31, 1753. Their children were:—

Abigail, b. January 4, 1702, m. Samuel Kilborn.

Elizabeth, b. September 10, 1704, m. John Fowler.

Elisha, b. February 7, 1707, m. Rachael Brunson.

Lydia, b. April 21, 1707.

Keziah, b. April 6, 1709, d. September 24, 1717.

Gershom, b. February 20, 1711, m. Margaret Burt.

Miriam, b. December 3, 1713, m. Moses Warriner.

NATHANIEL FOOT.

Nathaniel Foot, son of Nathaniel of Wethersfield, Conn., married Margaret Bliss, daughter of Nathaniel and Katherine, May 2, 1672. After the birth of two children they moved away. He died at Wethersfield, January 12, 1703, and his widow died at Colchester, April 3, 1745, aged 95. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. February 25, 1673, before they came here.

Children born in Springfield.

Margarite, b. December 15, 1674.

Elizabeth, b. June 23, 1677, m. Robert Turner.

SAMUEL FOOT.

Samuel Foot, son of Nathaniel of Wethersfield, married Mary Merrick, daughter of Thomas and Mary, but not here. He died September 7, 1689, aged 40, and his wife died October 3, 1690. The children evidently came back and lived with the mother's family, for four of them were married here. Their children were:—

Nathaniel, m. Mary Ward, November 5, 1707.

Mary, b. July 9, 1674, killed in Canada.

Samuel, killed at Deerfield, 1704.

Mary, b. February 28, 1680, m. Samuel Sikes.

Sarah, b. February 26, 1682, m. William Scot.

Eleazer, b. September 5, 1684, m. Lydia Bidwell.

Thomas, b. —, 1687, m. Abigail Segar of Westfield.

Daniel, b. —, 1688, m. Mary Collier of Hartford and Symbury.

EDWARD FOSTER.

Edward Foster married Hester Bliss, December 26, 1661. There are no children on record. Before marriage she was employed in John Pynchon's family. She died either January or June 12, 1683, and he married Sarah Miller, widow of

Thomas Miller, January 17, 1684. They had no children. She died March 9, 1709, and he died February 22, 1720. He came from England with Samuel Terry, under an agreement with Pynchon, who paid his passage. Hester was probably daughter of Thomas and Margaret. See Longmeadow Centennial, page 187.

ISAAC FROST.

Isaac Frost married Mary Barber, daughter of John and Bathsheba. He died September 30, 1747, and his widow died December 29, 1758. Their children were:—

Mary, b. January 1, 1697, m. Ebenezer Scot.

John, b. January 24, 1700, m. Damaras Howard.

Bathsheba, b. April 6, 1702, m. Benjamin Bedortha.

Joanna, b. May 3, 1704, d. May 3, 1704.

Isaac, b. April 22, 1705, d. December 25, 1751.

Joanna, b. July 7, 1707, m. Jonathan Bedortha.

Elizabeth, b. April 3, 1709, m. Ebenezer Frost, and went to Brimfield.

Mercy, b. August 21, 1711, m. Nehemiah Lee of Simsbury.

Return, a son, and Ruth, b. May 15, 1714, and both d. the same day.

Abraham, b. July 13, 1715, m. Sarah —.

THOMAS GILBERT.

Thomas Gilbert married Widow Catherine Bliss, June 30, 1655. He died June 5, 1662, and his widow married Samuel Marshfield. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. February 19, 1655, m. Samuel Field.

John, b. October 18, 1657.

Thomas, b. March 15, 1659, m. Abilene Marshfield.

Henry, b. March 1, 1661, m. Elizabeth Belding.

THOMAS GILBERT, JR.

Thomas Gilbert, son of Thomas and Catherine, married Abilene Marshfield, August 4, 1680. He was before the court for going fishing on Sunday with Marshfield's Indian

servant, Tobey. His wife died November 26, 1689, and he married Anna Bancroft, daughter of Thomas, April 9, 1690. Thomas Gilbert died May 14, 1698, and his widow married James Sexton of Westfield. His children by the first wife were:—

Thomas, b. November 3, 1681.

Samuel, b. September 4, 1683.

Sarah, b. September 11, 1685, d. October 14, 1685.

Jonathan, b. November 4, 1686.

John, b. February 28, 1687.

Children by Second Wife.

John, b. March 16, 1691.

Ebenezer, b. —, d. January 4, 1691.

Margaret, b. March 27, 1693, and went to Brookfield.

Sarah, b. January 18, 1694.

Anna, b. February 16, 1696, m. Joseph Segar.

HENRY GREGORY.

Little is known of Henry Gregory. He was here in 1643 and was given the lot which he sold to the Town, and which was afterwards sold to Thomas Stebbins, and is now our Court Square. His son, Judah, married Sarah Burt, daughter of Henry and Eulalia Burt, June 20, 1643. Judah propounded Richard Everett, as the "chapman" (buyer) of his father's lot, but for some unknown reason the Selectmen objected and the lot was purchased by the town. Both Henry and Judah went to Connecticut, the father to Norwalk, where he settled. Judah died, but there is no record of when or where he died. His widow married September 4, 1649, Henry Wakely and they were among the first settlers of Stratford, Conn. Mr. Henry F. Waters, in his Genealogical Gleanings in England, has brought to light the will of William Gregory of Nottingham, England, in which he besides others, makes this legacy: "I give to my brother Henry Gregory twenty marks if he live six months after my decease, and to every child of his body lawfully begotten (excepting

my cousin [neice] Perry, his daughter) that shall be living at the end of six months after my decease, five pounds, to be paid within twelve months after my decease. I also give and bequeath the sum of four pounds to be paid towards the charges of fetching of the said legacies, given as aforesaid unto my said brother and his children, they being now, as I am informed, in the parts beyond the seas, called New England. I give and bequeath to my Cousin [neice] Perrie, my said brother Henry's daughter, the sum of ten pounds, to be paid within six months after my decease." This will undoubtedly refers to our Henry Gregory, and quite probably establishes the place of his English home before migrating to New England.

REV. PELATIAH GLOVER.

Pelatiah Glover, the second minister of Springfield, was the fifth son and youngest child of John Glover and of his wife, Anna. He was fitted for Harvard College by Rev. Richard Mather, minister of the first church in Dorchester. At the age of 21, according to the Dorchester church records, "26 d. 7 mo., 1658, Mr. Pelatiah Glover united with the church at Dorchester, he being then at Harvard College." He studied Divinity with Rev. Richard Mather, and at Dorchester, June 15, 1659, preached in the morning from Second Chronicles, 7th chapter, 14th, 15th and 16th verses, and Mr. Mather in the afternoon. He preached in Springfield July 3, 1659, and in Dorchester, June 10, 1660. June 18, 1661, he was ordained here as the successor of George Moxon, who had returned to England in 1652. June 4, 1661, he was appointed by the Dorchester church to take part in the settlement of Rev. Eleazer Mather, son of Rev. Richard Mather, over the church at Northampton, and preached the sermon on that occasion.

The father of Pelatiah, John Glover of Dorchester, was the eldest son of Thomas and Margery Dean Glover of Rainhill Parish, Prescott, Lancashire, England. He joined the London Company, organized to make a settlement in New

England and came with it in the ship *Mary and John*, which arrived a month before Winthrop's company, and they began the settlement of Dorchester. He was chosen a Selectman and served in that office until 1650. He was a Deputy to the General Court from 1636 to 1652, when he was chosen Assistant. He died in 1653.

Pelatiah, second minister of Springfield, married May 20, 1660, Hannah Culick, daughter of Capt. John Culick of Boston. She died here December 20, 1689, and he died March 29, 1692. Their children were:—

Samuel, b. November 28, 1661. He was known as Capt. Samuel, and d. July 24, 1689, unmarried. He lived at Suffield.

John, b. July 1, 1663, d. January 14, 1664.

Pelatiah, b. January 27, 1666, m. Hannah Parsons, daughter of Cornet Joseph and Mary Parsons.

Ann, b. August 21, 1668, d. June 6, 1690, unmarried.

Mary, b. April 17, 1672, m. John Haynes of Hartford. Her husband preached for a few months as the successor of Rev. Pelatiah Glover, Mary's father, but although much desired to remain here he declined and returned to Hartford, where he studied law and became a Judge of the Superior Court. He was the oldest son of Rev. Joseph and Mary Haynes, and studied Divinity with him. He had previously graduated at Harvard College. He was a grandson of Governor Haynes of Massachusetts, who was the first Governor of Connecticut.

PELATIAH GLOVER, JR.

Pelatiah Glover, Jr., married Hannah Parsons, daughter of Cornet Joseph and Mary Parsons, January 7, 1686. He was a Selectman four years, first in 1701. His wife died April 1, 1729. He died August 22, 1737. Their children were:—

Pelatiah, b. August 27, 1687, m. Mary Wright, and second, Widow Hannah Burt.

Thomas, b. November 16, 1688, d. unmarried, December 30, 1775.

John, b. September 12, 1690, d. March 27, 1733.

Hannah, b. December 27, 1693, m. John Ashley of Westfield in 1735.

Mary, b. August 25, 1695, m. Benjamin Horton.

Samuel, b. April 1, 1698, d. April 21, 1698.

Abigail, b. July 9, 1702, m. Jonathan Mills, 1749.

Samuel, b. December 19, 1706, m. Widow Joyce Jones.

GERSHOM HALE.

Gershom Hale and wife, Ann, were not married here. They brought here four children, Dorcas, John, Ruth, and Gershom. His wife d. September 4, 1698. Their children were:—

Dorcas, m. Obadiah Cooley.

John, m. 1st Elizabeth Clark, and 2nd Thankful Jones.

Ruth, m. Nathaniel Bancroft.

Gershom m. Mercy —.

Benjamin, b. August 17, 1698.

JOHN HANCOCK.

John Hancock married Anna Webb, November 19, 1713. He was a son of Thomas and Rachael, and was born at Farmington, Conn., 1688. His wife was a daughter of John and Hannah Webb. She died July 6, 1771, and he died July 10, 1775. He married second, Widow Martha Olmsted of Belchertown (int. of marriage May 1, 1773). Widow Martha died June —, 1776. The children by his first wife were:—

Mary, b. February 22, 1716. Intention of marriage with Nathaniel Hitchcock, Jr.

John, Jr., b. May 20, 1717, m. Mary Kilborn, and 2nd, Abigail Terry.

Anna, b. July 14, 1719, d. June 24, 1741.

Abel, b. January 19, 1721, m. Eunice Parsons.

Abner, b. August 9, 1722, d. at Louisburg, 1745.

Jonathan (Jotham), b. August 4, 1724, m. Susanna Thompson.

Mabel, b. February 3, 1726, m. George Colton Cooley, and 2nd, Capt. Joseph Ferry.

Thomas, b. May 10, 1727, m. Jemima Wright.

Silas (called Jabez), b. July 29, 1728, m. Rachael Wright.

William, b. October 26, 1729, m. Sarah Brooks, and 2nd, Hannah Long.

Experience, b. November 2, 1730, intention of marriage with Joseph Steel, d. unmarried September 7, 1780.

Daniel, b. —, m. Lucy Long, 1754.

Abigail, b. January 12, 1734, m. Jabez Cooley.

Mercy, b. August 25, 1735, m. David Bonner.

Martha, baptized, November 7, 1742.

JOHN HARMON.

John Harmon came here in 1644, and brought his wife, Elizabeth, and two children, John and Samuel. He had six children born here. He died March 7, 1661, and his widow married Anthony Dorchester. Their children were:—

John, m. Mary Dorchester, d. at Suffield, September 7, 1627. He had no children and left his property to his brother Joseph.

Samuel, d. at Suffield, September 7, 1677.

Sarah, b. September 22, 1644, m. Charles Ferry.

Joseph, b. September 14, 1646, m. Hannah Philly.

Mary, b. November 12, 1651, m. John Dorchester.

Elizabeth, b. June 7, 1652, d. young.

Nathaniel, b. March 13, 1654, m. Mary Skinner of Suffield.

Ebenezer, b. August 12, 1657, drowned April 7, 1660 in Town Brook.

JOHN HARMON, JR.,

John Harmon, Jr., married Mary Dorchester, daughter of Anthony, January 7, 1669. She died February 7, 1712. He died February 13, 1712. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. October 14, 1669, d. November 13, 1673.

Mary, b. October 23, 1671, m. Zachariah Booth.

Sarah, b. February 13, 1675, d. about March, 1746.

John, b. March 2, 1678, m. Hannah Sexton.

Elizabeth, b. December 3, 1680, m. Caleb Monson.

JOSEPH HARMON.

Joseph Harmon, son of John Harmon, married Hannah Philley, of Windsor, January 22, 1673. His wife died at Suffield, August 28, 1729. He died October 28, 1729, aged 83. His first two children were born here. He went to Suffield and the others were born there. He was a pioneer in Suffield and for many years a Selectman. Their children were:—

Hannah, b. February 23, 1674, m. James Pease.

John, b. January 5, 1676.

Samuel, b. April 21, 1679, d. 1679.

Elizabeth, b. August 18, 1680.

Joseph, b. September 6, 1682.

Sarah, b. April 4, 1684.

Samuel, b. April 7, 1686.

Ebenezer, b. September 6, 1688.

Mary, b. 1692, d. 1695.

Nathaniel, b. July 30, 1695.

NATHANIEL HARMON.

Nathaniel Harmon, son of John, married Mary Skinner at Suffield, November 19, 1685. He died May 2, 1712, and his widow married John Hanchett. She died September 17, 1730. Their children were born in Suffield as below:—

Nathaniel, b. January 16, 1686.

Ebenezer, b. March 21, 1688, d. 1689.

Mary, b. July 14, 1692.

Elizabeth, b. December 29, 1694.

Ann, b. March 23, 1697.

Samuel, b. August 15, 1699.

Sarah, b. January 2, 1702.

Ruth, b. November 24, 1704.

John, b. August 29, 1780.

Benjamin, b. May 17, 1711.

EDMUND HAYNES.

Edmund Haynes died here in 1646, and his widow married George Lancton. He had Ruth, born April 27, 1646. She married Eleazur Hawkes or Hawes of Dorchester.

JOHN HENRYSON.

John Henryson married before coming here Martha, daughter of George Steel. They had one daughter, born here, Elizabeth, born January 27, 1662. She went to Hadam, Conn.

LUKE HITCHCOCK.

Luke Hitchcock and his wife, Elizabeth, were residents of New Haven, Conn., in 1644. They moved to Wethersfield on their way to Springfield. He died there in 1659. His widow and children came to Springfield and she married William Warriner, October 2, 1661, the same day that her daughter married Chileab Smith of Hadley. William Warriner died June 2, 1676, and she married Joseph Baldwin of Hadley. He died November 2, 1684, and his widow Elizabeth died at Springfield, April 25, 1696. The children of Luke Hitchcock and Elizabeth were:—

Hannah, b. —, m. Chileab Smith of Hadley, October 2, 1661.

John, b. —, m. Hannah Chapin, daughter of Deacon Samuel.

Luke, b. June 5, 1655, m. Widow Sarah Dorchester.

LUKE HITCHCOCK, JR.

Luke Hitchcock, Jr., married Widow Sarah Dorchester, widow of Benjamin, February 14, 1676. He represented Springfield as Deputy to the General Court eight years and was four years on the Board of Selectmen. He died January 27, 1727, and she died November 8, 1746. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. April 1, 1678, m. James Merrick,

Elizabeth, b. March 19, 1680, m. Pelatiah Bliss.

Mercy, b. February 1, 1681, m. Ebenezer Day.

Hannah, b. March 18, 1684, m. Samuel Stebbins, Jr.

Thankful, b. October 18, 1686, m. John Phelps of Westfield.

Mary, b. October 21, 1688, m. George Colton.

Luke, b. July 13, 1691, m. Martha Colton.

Jonathan, b. September 4, 1693, d. September 26, 1693.

Ebenezer, b. August 20, 1694, m. Mary Sheldon.

Jonathan, b. June 24, 1696, d. April 8, 1698.

Pelataiah, b. July 16, 1698, m. Sarah Parsons.

JOHN HITCHCOCK.

John Hitchcock, son of Luke and Elizabeth married Hannah Chapin, daughter of Dea. Samuel, September 27, 1666. He served the town as Selectman twelve years and as Deputy to the General Court five years. He died February 9, 1712. Their children were:—

Daughter, b. and d. September 4, 1667.

Hannah, b. September 10, 1668, m. Samuel Parsons.

John, Jr., b. April 13, 1670, m. Mary Ball, daughter of Samuel.

Samuel, b. August 21, 1672, m. Sarah Weller.

Luke, Jr., b. March 23, 1675, m. Elizabeth Walker.

Nathaniel, b. August 28, 1677, m. Abigail Lombard.

David, b. February 9, 1680, m. Elizabeth Ball, or Batts.

Jonathan, b. November 16, 1682, d. February 26, 1683.

Sarah, b. January 11, 1686, d. April 19, 1690.

ELIZUR HOLYOKE.

Elizur Holyoke married Mary Pynchon, daughter of William Pynchon, November 20, 1640. She died October 26, 1657. He married Editha, widow of Robert Day and John Maynard. He died February 6, 1676.

Elizur Holyoke, who for many years was Town Recorder, was a son of Edward Holyoke, who served for some time as Assistant in the General Court. Elizur was born in Tamworth, Warwickshire, England, and came to New England with his father. The first record we have of him in Springfield was his marriage to Mary Pynchon, daughter of William Pynchon. He was given a homelot 20 rods in breadth,

next south of his father-in-law's extending south to that given to another son-in-law, Henry Smith. The present Bridge Street is near the line between the lots of Holyoke and Smith. He was much in public life, was chosen Deputy to the General Court six times, and ten times Selectman. He served as Town Clerk in 1656, in the absence of John Pynchon, and constantly held that office from 1661 up to his death in 1676. He was appointed a magistrate by the General Court with John Pynchon and Samuel Chapin, but evidently he was occupied mostly with his work as Clerk of the Courts and other clerical duties. He wrote a fine hand, and many pages still in the offices of the present City Clerk and Register of Deeds, testify to the elegance of his penmanship. He was more precise in his records of facts than given to picturesqueness of statement,—much more so in this respect than is shown in the records of John Pynchon, or in those of the first Clerk, Henry Smith. His educational advantages must have been superior to those born in New England, or those who had come here at a very early age. He served the town in many ways and performed his share of public service. At the town meeting held on the 3d of February, 1676, he was chosen Selectman and Town Recorder. His death occurred five days afterwards, before he had completed his record of the day's transactions.

His name was first perpetuated in Mount Holyoke, named for him at a very early day, and in later times by Mount Holyoke College, and in the city of Holyoke, fitting testimonials to his character and ability. He has no known descendants living in this region at the present time who bear his name, and had not his name been given to one of the most picturesque summits in Western New England it would have perished from the earth, except as it might have been occasionally brought to light by some searcher after antiquarian lore, or by the student of ancient chirography. His sons, John and Captain Samuel, were never married and died in early manhood. Elizur, Jr., went to the eastern part of the State and nothing is known here of his posterity. Samuel became Captain Samuel, and died shortly after the Falls Fight in

which he served. John succeeded his father as Town Clerk, Register of Deeds and as Clerk of the Courts. The family record is given below:—

John, b. August 27, 1641, d. October 8, 1641.
 John, b. September 5, 1642, d. February 6, 1712.
 Hannah, b. June 9, 1644, m. Samuel Talcott.
 Child, b. and d. May 21, 1646.
 Samuel, b. June 9, 1647, d. October 31, 1676.
 Edward, b. August 8, 1649, d. June 16, 1708.
 Elizur, b. October 13, 1651, m. Mary —.
 Mary, b. November 14, 1656.

JEREMY HORTON.

Jeremy Horton, son of Thomas and Mary, married Ruth Ely, daughter of Nathaniel, October 3, 1661. She died October 12, 1662, and he married Mary —. He died August 28, 1682. He had by his first wife:—

Nathaniel, b. June 29, 1662, m. Sarah Burt.

Children by the Second Wife.

Jeremy, b. November 22, 1665, m. Mary Terry.
 Samuel, b. November 20, 1667.
 Thomas, b. November 30, 1668, m. Sarah Warner, and second, Widow Mercy Kilburn.
 Timothy, b. November 25, 1670, d. 1740.
 John, b. September 12, 1672, d. May 13, 1689.
 Mary, b. July 20, 1674.
 Benjamin, b. October 20, 1682, m. Mary Glover.

WILLIAM HUNTER.

William Hunter came here in 1662 with his wife, Priscilla, and brought two children, Catherine and Thomas. They had seven children born here. He was killed by Indians July 4, 1676. Their children were:—

Catherine, m. Walter Holiday.

Thomas.

Sarah, b. December 16, 1662, m. Benjamin Downing.

Priscilla, b. March 2, 1665, m. Samuel Kent.

Mary, b. August 15, 1667.

James, b. November 30, 1669.

John, b. March 23, 1672.

Hannah, b. December 6, 1674.

Abilene, b. January 1, 1676, posth., m. Samuel Younglove
at Suffield.

JOHN INGERSOLL.

John Ingersoll of Hartford, married in 1651, Dorothy Lord, daughter of Thomas Lord. He went to Northampton and later to Westfield. After the death of his first wife he married Abigail Bascom. After his removal to Westfield his second wife died there, April, 1658. He then married Mary Hunt, sister of Jonathan Hunt of Northampton, who was the ancestor of those bearing the family name in this part of New England. He died September 3, 1684, and his widow, Mary, died August 18, 1690. His two oldest children, Hannah and Dorothy, were born in Hartford, and the third, Margery, at Northampton. His children by his first wife were:—

Hannah, b. 1652, m. November 15, 1672, Stephen Kelsey.

Dorothy, b. 1654, m. May 2, 1672, Jacob Phelps, and second, — Root.

Margery, b. January, 1656, m. December 5, 1679, Jacob Goff, and second, Jonathan Buck.

Children by the Second Wife.

Abigail, b. January 11, 1659, m. Thomas Rix, and second, Joshua Wills.

Sarah, b. October 30, 1666, m. — Barnes.

Abiah, b. August 24, 1663, m. Jedediah Strong.

Esther, b. September 9, 1665, m. William Gurley, and second, Benoni Jones.

Thomas, b. March 28, 1668, m. Sarah Ashley, Abigail Dickinson and Ruth Childs.

Children by the Third Wife.

John, b. October 20, 1669, m. Isabelle Brown.

Abel, b. November 11, 1671.

Ebenezer, b. October 10, 1673, d. March 4, 1681.

Joseph, b. October 16, 1675, killed at Deerfield, February 29, 1704.

Mary, b. November 17, 1677, d. September 1, 1690.

Benjamin, b. November 15, 1679, d. at 7 yrs.

Jonathan, b. May 10, 1681, went to Milford.

WILLIAM JESS.

William Jess and Abraham Munden were drowned at Enfield Falls in the Connecticut River, October 29, 1645. Jess had one daughter as below:—

Abigail, b. March 1, 1645, m. James Wright, son of Dea. Samuel.

GRIFFITH JONES.

Griffith Jones came from Wales and was married before coming here. His wife's name was Sarah. She died May 6, 1665, and he died February 19, 1676. The two younger children were bound out until they were 21 years of age,—Pelatiah to Dea. William Holton of Northampton, and Benoni to Lieut. William Clarke of the same town. The children were:—

Child, b. d., September 25, 1645.

Mercy, b. July 4, 1647, m. James Barker.

Hepzibah, b. September 26, 1648, m. Isaac Cakebread.

Samuel, b. January 19, 1650.

Ebenezer, b. July 14, 1653, m. Mercy Bagg.

Thomas, b. June 8, 1655, m. Elizabeth Graves.

Griffith, b. June 4, 1658, d. soon.

Griffith, b. March 28, 1660.

Experience, b. Aug. 12, 1662, m. John Higgins.

Pelatiah, b. July 22, 1664, m. Sarah Meekins.

Benoni, b. —, m. Widow Esther Gurley, daughter of John Ingersoll.

JOHN KEEP.

John Keep married Sarah Leonard, daughter of John and Sarah Leonard, December 31, 1663. He, his wife, and his son Jabez, were killed by Indians May 20, 1676. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. August 5, 1666, m. Benj. Parsons.

Elizabeth, b. November 15, 1668, d. September 2, 1675.

Samuel, b. August 22, 1670, m. Sarah Colton.

Hannah, b. June 28, 1673, m. Ebenezer Miller.

Jabez, b. November 11, 1675, killed by Indians.

SAMUEL KEEP.

Samuel Keep, son of John, married Sarah Colton, daughter of Thomas and Sarah, February 27, 1695. His wife died June 20, 1754, and he died August 23, 1755. Their children were:—

Daughter, b. February 17, d. Feb. 26, 1696.

John, b. June 22, 1698, m. Abigail Munn of Colchester, settled in Monson, and buried in Brimfield. Died July 28, 1757.

Samuel, b. November 12, 1700, m. Mary Colton and 2nd, Sarah Bement.

Sarah, b. August 23, 1703, m. Daniel Chandler.

Jabez, b. March 10, 1706, m. Sarah Leonard.

Elizabeth, b. May 22, 1709, d. July 29, 1720.

Jemima, b. July 17, 1711, m. Isaac Griswold.

Josiah, b. November 30, 1713, was at Brimfield in 1744.

Abiah, b. December 11, 1715, m. Jonathan Wright of Windsor.

Stephen, b. October 26, 1717, m. Hannah Colton.

Eunice, b. March 11, 1720, d. December 23, 1739.

Matthew, b. October 3, 1722, m. Abigail Wolcott.

BENJAMIN KNOWLTON.

Benjamin Knowlton married Hannah Merrick, daughter of Thomas and Sarah, November 30, 1676. He died April 19, 1690. Their children were:—

- Mary, b. September 17, 1677, m. Increase Sikes, Jr.
 Benjamin, b. December 9, 1679, m. Elizabeth Phelps.
 Sarah, b. August 31, 1682, m. Jonathan Taylor.
 Mercy, b. May 19, 1685, d. March 16, 1686.
 Joseph, b. January 3, 1686, d. at Wilbraham, February 11,
 1737.
 Mercy, b. November 1, 1690, posth., m. William Stebbins.

JOHN LAMB.

John Lamb was here as early as 1651, when his name first appears in the Town Records. He was married twice. His wife, who came with him, was Joanna —. She died September 8, 1683, and he married Lidia, widow of John Norton, January 27, 1687. He died September 28, 1690, and his widow married Quartermaster George Colton. His children born here were:—

- John, b. February 20, 1653, d. July 13, 1654.
 John, b. May 15, 1655, d. June 5, 1676.
 Thomas, b. May 15, 1655, may have gone to Stonington.
 Joanna, b. September 20, 1657, m. Samuel Stebbins.
 Sarah, b. June 15, 1660, m. Jonathan Bush.
 Samuel, b. September 28, 1663, m. Rebecca Bird.
 Daniel, b. November 24, 1666, m. Elizabeth Atchinson.
 Mary, b. July 19, 1669, d. September 6, 1669.
 Abigail, b. September 20, 1670, m. James Lawton.
 Joshua, b. October 3, 1674.

SAMUEL LAMB.

Samuel Lamb, son of John and Joanna, married Rebecca Bird, December 1, 1687. He died December 5, 1729. His widow married William Warriner, May 26, 1731. Their children were:—

- Mary, b. September 10, 1688, m. James Welden.
 Son, b. and d. December 30, 1691.
 Samuel, b. February 23, 1693, m. Martha Stebbins, or Ann Rizley.

Joanna, b. June —, 1695, m. Ebenezer Bliss, Jr.
 Rebecca, b. November 12, 1697, m. James Beckwith.
 Deborah, b. December 25, 1699, m. John Stebbins.
 Thomas, b. January 31, 1702, m. Sarah Beckwith.
 Decline, b. April 23, 1704, d. December 20, 1704.
 Abigail, b. March 18, 1707, d. July 2, 1708.
 Sarah, b. March 26, 1712, m. Abner Ely.
 Huldah, b. —. She sells land that was her father's, Samuel, deceased, in 1740.

DANIEL LAMB.

Daniel Lamb, son of John and Joanna, married Elizabeth Atchinson, daughter of John and Deliverance, June 12, 1690. He died March 8, 1692, and his widow, Elizabeth, married Robert Old. They had one child, as below:—

John, b. March 28, 1691, m. Sarah Jones.

JOHN LEONARD.

John Leonard married Sarah Heith, or Heald, November 12, 1640. He was killed by the Indians in 1676, and his widow married February 21, 1677, Benjamin Parsons, and third, November 3, 1690, Peter Tilton of Hadley, and died November 23, 1711. Their children were:—

John, b. August 25, 1641, d. June 22, 1648.

Joseph, b. March 17, 1643, d. May 20, 1643.

Joseph, b. May 20, 1644, had six wives.

Sarah, b. December 13, 1645, m. John Keep.

Mary, b. September 14, 1647, m. Samuel Bliss, Sr.

Martha, b. April 15, 1649, m. Benjamin Waite.

Lydia, b. October 20, 1650, m. John Dumbleton, and second, Joseph Bedortha.

John, b. September 10, 1652, d. March 13, 1663.

Benjamin, b. September 5, 1654, m. Sarah Scott.

Abel, b. July 22, 1656, m. Mary Remington.

Josiah, b. March 28, 1658, m. Sarah Dumbleton.

Hannah, b. February 19, 1659, m. Daniel Denton.

Rebecca, b. May 26, 1661, m. Thomas Miller, and 2nd, Samuel Billings.

Deborah, b. October 1, 1663. In the distribution of the estate in 1718, she is called Deborah Loof.

Rachael, b. November 6, 1665, m. Thomas Hancock.

JOSEPH LEONARD.

Joseph Leonard, son of John and Sarah, married Mary Fellows, March 24, 1671, daughter of Richard of Hartford. She was baptised February 9, 1650. The Leonard genealogy gives her name as Mary Livermore. Their children born here were:—

Mary, b. 1674, d. 1676.

Samuel, b. May 16, 1677, m. Penelope Phillips.

John, b. September 12, 1679, d. October 14, 1679.

Joseph, b. January 1, 1680, m. Sarah, Leonard Genealogy says, Beckwith. She died January 29, 1680, and he married 2nd, Elizabeth Lyman, March 29, 1683.

Children by Second Wife.

Mercy, b. November 6, 1683, d. November 13, 1683.

Elizur, b. March 15, 1685, d. May 30, 1688.

Mehitable, b. September 1, 1686, d. July 8, 1689.

Elizabeth, b. June 14, 1689, m. James Phillips.

Elizabeth, second wife of Joseph, died July 6, 1689, and he married third, Ann Newberry (Widow Ann Ford, widow of Thomas), January 16, 1690. She d. January 6, 1691. He married 4th, Rebecca Dumbleton, daughter of John, March 2, 1693. They had:—

Ebenezer, b. January 10, 1693, m. Joanna Stevenson.

The wife Rebecca died February 16, 1693, and he married 5th, Margaret —, and she died December 1, 1711, and he married 6th, Sarah —.

BENJAMIN LEONARD.

Benjamin Leonard, son of John, married Sarah Scott, daughter of John, February 9, 1679. He died December

21, 1724, and his widow December 2, 1751. Their children were:—

John, b. July 12, 1681, m. Sarah Dickenson, Jr.

Benjamin, b. October 23, 1683, d. young.

Nathaniel, b. November 6, 1685, m. Sarah Ely.

Ebenezer, b. January 20, 1687, m. Martha Miller.

Margaret, b. 1689, m. Joseph Ely, Jr.

Sarah, b. March 28, 1691, m. Francis Ball.

Martha, b. October 23, 1695, m. Joseph Ashley 2nd, and second, Charles Ferry.

Keziah, b. November 25, 1697, m. Lambertson Cooper.

Abel, b. July 27, 1700, m. Esther Austin.

Benjamin, b. August 17, 1702, m. Thankful Merrick.

Rachael, b. January 19, 1706.

ABEL LEONARD.

Abel Leonard, son of John and Sarah, married Mary Remington, March 4, 1687. He died March 10, 1690, and his widow married Samuel Bedortha, July 1, 1691. Their children were:—

Mary, b. December 16, 1687, d. March 19, 1690.

Sarah, b. October 8, 1689, d. December —, 1689.

JOSIAH LEONARD.

Josiah Leonard, son of John and Sarah, married Sarah Dumbleton, daughter of John, December 19, 1678. He died February 15, 1688, and his widow married Thomas Root of Westfield, January 25, 1692, and was his third wife. His son, John, married her daughter, Mary. Josiah Leonard's children were:—

Josiah, b. October 21, 1680, m. Ruth Allen.

Sarah, b. September 16, 1682.

Mary, b. March 12, 1687, m. John Root of Westfield.

SIMON LOBDELL.

Simon Lobdell, according to Savage, was a resident of Milford and of Hartford before coming here. It is possible

that Elizabeth Lobdell, who married Jonathan Burt, and Ann, who married Samuel Terry, may have been his sisters. A deed in book S. pages 432 and 433, 1743, mentions as follows: "Samuel Lobdell, Caleb and John Lobdell, Jabez Northrup and wife, Sarah, Seaborn Burt, and wife, Susannah, all of Ridgefield, Conn., Samuel Plum and wife, Mary, of Derby, and Joshua Lobdell of Courtland Manor, N. Y., to Ebenezer Lobdell of Ridgefield, all interest in estate of our father, Joshua, and land that formerly belonged to Simon Lobdell, formerly of Springfield." The children of Simon born here were:—

Elizabeth, b. October 7, 1669.

Joshua, b. December 23, 1671.

Anna, b. December 1, 1674.

Rebecca, b. —. Her father moved to Milford and she was born there.

JOHN LOMBARD.

John Lombard married Joan Pritchard, September 1, 1647. He died May 15, 1672. His widow died May 19, 1690. Their children were:—

John, b. July 20, 1698, d. at the age of 24.

David, b. October 16, 1650, m. Margaret Filley.

Nathaniel, b. September 6, 1654, d. September 20, 1654.

RICHARD LORD.

Richard Lord, of Hartford, son of Richard, born 1636, married Mary Smith, daughter of Henry Smith, the son-in-law of William Pynchon, April 25, 1665. He was lost at sea November 5, 1685, and his widow married in 1686 Thomas Hooker, and died May 17, 1702. Richard Lord and wife, Mary, had one son, Richard, born February 1, 1670.

WILLIAM MACK CRANNEY.

This name has been variously written by the different town clerks, and sometimes as Cranny and others as Mack Cranney and Mackcranney. When Mack Cranney married

Margaret Riley, daughter of John and Margaret, July 8, 1685. After the death of his wife he married Widow Mary Miller, the widow of Lazarus. He died October 25, 1725, and the widow married James Sexton, February 14, 1735. The children by the first wife were:—

John, b. April 24, 1686, drowned June 7, 1687.

Thomas, b. October 7, 1687, m. Dorothy Barnes.

Margaret, b. September 9, 1689, m. Joseph Cooley.

Mary, b. November 2, 1690, m. Thomas Bliss.

Sarah, b. April 9, 1692, m. John Sacket.

John, b. May 13, 1694, date of death not known, but according to deed was dead in 1732.

William, b. December 14, 1695, m. Hannah —. He is mentioned in the deed as of Springfield, Northfield and Fort Dummer.

Mercy, b. July 22, 1697, m. Joseph Ball.

Thankful, b. July 22, 1697, m. Joseph Burt.

Abigail, b. December 1, 1699, m. Nathaniel Williams of Westfield.

Children by the Second Wife.

Ruth, b. June 2, 1703, m. Ebenezer Taylor.

Rachael, b. October 27, 1704, m. Nathaniel Church of Hadley.

Benjamin, b. July 30, 1707, d. January 20, 1713.

Timothy, b. June 10, 1709, m. Patience Stockwell.

SAMUEL MARSHFIELD.

Samuel Marshfield, son of Thomas, of Windsor, was born in England. He married Hester Wright, daughter of Dea. Samuel, February 13, 1651. His wife died April 3, 1664, and he married Widow Catherine Gilbert, December 28, 1664, who was the daughter of Dea. Samuel Chapin. She married first, Nathaniel Bliss, and after his death, Thomas Gilbert. Samuel Marshfield died May 8, 1692, and his widow, Catherine, died February 4, 1712. In 1704 the court ordered that Samuel Bliss, Nathaniel Bliss, Henry Gilbert, Josiah Marshfield, her sons, and her sons-in-law, Ephraim

Colton and Ebenezer Parsons, each to pay her 25 shillings annually for her support.

Samuel Marshfield came here about 1648, that being the first mention of him. It is inferred by some of his accounts with John Pynchon that he was a tailor, for he is charged with "100 Needles 2s 6d, 2 lbs of thred 7s," and he is credited with "Taylery worke of old £4 4s 4d," and later with "more Taylery worke & severall days worke, in all £2 6s 4d." He performed other labors as well and is credited with "a voyadge downe to y^e falls in October '58, your part 15s, by worke of old 17s 8d, by bringing up sheepe from Windsor 4s, by carying 5 Barrells of beife to Hartford, your part is 5s, by worke shearing, rearing, & reaping 11s, by severall days getting Thatche £1 5s 6d, getting Stooones out of y^e River 1s 6d, by 1 day sheep shearing this '59 2s, by 5 days, his cannoe 5s." These credits illustrate the kind of employment that Pynchon had for nearly all the settlers. Marshfield evidently was an active business man and he served the town in many ways. From 1663 to 1668 inclusive, he held the office of Selectman thirteen years, and in 1680, '83, and '84, he represented Springfield as Deputy in the General Court. Pynchon's store accounts at last appear to have brought him financial troubles, for in 1667 there is this entry: "April 2d. Samuel Marshfield Cr. by his house & land, viz: all his housing & all his land on this side of y^e grt. River to cleare y^e debt of £53 14s." His children were:—

Mercy, b. May 10, 1653, d. May 3, 1653.

Thomas, b. August 6, 1654, d. June 21, 1673.

Sarah, b. February 2, 1656, m. William Holton, Jr.

Samuel, b. March 25, 1659, d. March 1, 1674.

Hannah, b. July 20, 1661, m. Joseph Bedortha.

Abilene, b. April 2, 1664, m. Thomas Gilbert.

Children by Second Wife.

Josiah, b. September 29, 1665, m. Rachael Gilbert.

Esther, b. September 6, 1667, m. Ephraim Colton.

Child, s. b., November 17, 1669.

Margaret, b. December 3, 1670, m. Ebenezer Parsons.

Sarah Marshfield, who married Thomas Miller, in 1649, was a sister of Samuel. The will of Thomas Miller, Jr., who died in 1685, refers to Samuel as "My Uncle Marshfield."

JOHN MATHEWS.

John Mathews, who came from Rehoboth, married Pentecost Bond, February 24, 1643. His wife was killed by the Indians at the burning of Springfield, October 5, 1675, and he married Mary Crowfoot, widow of Joseph, May 11, 1680. She died May 13, 1681. In 1668 John Mathews was ordered to be whipped "15 stripes on the naked back and to twenty shillings for contemptuous behavior toward Mr. Glover in a vile manner after y^e Quakers." He was fined again in 1678 and placed under the guardianship in 1681 when his child was supported by the town. Their children were:—

Abigail, b. April 10, 1645, d. July 25, 1646.

Sarah, b. March 18, 1647, d. January 7, 1649.

Child by the Second Wife.

John, b. April 18, 1681, d. August 8, 1684.

THOMAS MERRICK.

Thomas Merrick, b. in 1620, is said to have come from Wales. He married Sarah Stebbins, daughter of Rowland and Sarah, September 14, 1639. After the death of his wife, date not stated, he married Elizabeth Tilley, October 21, 1653. He died September 7, 1704. His children by his first wife were:—

Thomas, b. April 12, 1641, d. young.

Sarah, b. May 9, 1643, m. Eliakim Hitchcock.

Mary, b. September 28, 1645, l. July 28, 1646.

Mary, b. August 1647, m. Samuel Foot.

Hannah, b. February 10, 1649, m. Benjamin Knowlton.

Children by Second Marriage.

Elizabeth, b. October 26, 1654, d. January 11, 1659.

Merriam, b. May 1, 1656, d. October 4, 1684.

John, b. November 9, 1658, m. Mary Day.
 Elizabeth, b. July 4, 1661, m. Thomas Day.
 Thomas, b. January 2, 1663, m. Hannah Dumbleton.
 Tilly, b. October 20, 1667, m. Sarah Cooley.
 James, b. March 2, 1670, m. Sarah Hitchcock.
 Abigail, b. September 7, 1673, m. Gershom Ferry.

THOMAS MERRICK, JR.

Thomas Merrick, Jr., son of Thomas and Elizabeth, married Hannah Dumbleton, daughter of John, December 18, 1690. His wife died October 25, 1737. He died August 16, 1743. Their children were:—

Hannah, b. August 27, 1692, d. September 17, 1716.
 Thomas, b. February 5, 1694, m. Abigail Brewer.
 Mirriam, b. March 1, 1697, m. Joseph Wright, Jr.
 David, b. February 23, 1699, m. Mary Colton.
 Rachael, b. March 28, 1701, m. Zebelon Mygat.
 Ebenezer, b. September 11, 1703, m. Mehitable Moore.
 Moses, b. January 2, 1708, m. Lydia Stebbins.

JAMES MERRICK.

James Merrick, son of Thomas and Elizabeth, married Sarah Hitchcock, daughter of Luke and Sarah, July 30, 1696. She died February 5, 1734. He married Mrs. Abigail Moseley of Westfield, January 21, 1735. He died September 8, 1765, in his 95th year. His children, all by his first wife, were:—

Sarah, b. February 12, 1696, d. August 16, 1719.
 James, b. January 1, 1698, m. Martha Ely.
 Thankful, b. October 8, 1701, m. Benjamin Leonard.
 Joseph, b. March 27, 1704, m. Mary Leonard of Northampton.
 Mercy, b. October 21, 1706, m. Samuel Leonard.
 Aaron, b. September 6, 1708, d. November 12, 1735.
 Noah, b. August 6, 1711, m. Abigail Brainard.
 Son, b. d. January 23, 1715.

JOHN MERRICK.

John Merrick, son of Thomas and Elizabeth, married Mary Day, daughter of Thomas and Sarah, February 11, 1687. He was known as Captain John Merrick. His wife, Mary, died April 29, 1723, and he married Widow Rebecca Stebbins, widow of Joseph, January 14, 1725. She died July 14, 1747, and he died April 10, 1748, in his 90th year. His children, all by his first wife, were:—

John, b. February 29, Leap Year, 1688, d. March 26, 1689.

Thomas, b. June 9, 1690, drowned September 19, 1699.

John, b. September 27, 1692, m. Sarah Parsons.

Mary, b. July 24, 1694, m. William Colton.

Samuell, b. March 21, 1696, m. Isabelle Ingersoll.

Elizabeth, b. November 1, 1698, m. Joseph Barnard, and second, Joseph Woodbridge.

Abigail, b. June 4, 1699, d. July 30, 1699.

Jonathan, b. August 13, 1700, m. Jerusha Miner.

Abigail, b. April 5, 1702, m. Timothy Phelps.

Thomas, b. January 13, 1704, m. Eunice Stebbins.

Margaret, b. August 30, 1705, m. Nathaniel Warriner.

Benjamin, b. November 6, 1707, m. Mercy Hoar.

Deborah, b. February —, 1710, d. March 8, 1710.

OBADIAH MILLER.

Obadiah Miller married Joanna —. He was a brother of Thomas Miller. The date of his death is not known. His wife died November, 1695. Accounts at the Pynchon store in 1666 absorbed six acres of land near Cold Spring in West Springfield, which Obadiah Miller owned and for which he was allowed £4. Two years later, March 28, 1668, nine acres more, abutting on the Great River, went the same way, for £17 10s. In April following Pynchon made this entry: "Goodwife Miller came to mee with her husband & said she was willing I should have the land. But she thought I gave too little, & in further discourseing & owning my debt to have been long due, she was willing to agree to the sale, if

I would allow her 11s she owes for kersey, which I yielded to, & so both of them were willing, & the price for the land is £18 1s." He was evidently a hard worker and was often in the employ of Pynchon. The children born here were:—

Lazarus, b. September 23, 1655, m. Mary Burbank.

Obadiah, b. March 26, 1658, m. Benedicta Lawton, and 2nd, Dorothy Chapin.

Joanna, b. July 6, 1659, m. John Barber, Jr.

LAZARUS MILLER.

Lazarus Miller, son of Obadiah and Joanna, married Mary Burbank, December 2, 1685. He died August 4, 1697, and his widow married William Mack Cranney. Their children were:—

Obadiah, b. March 1, 1687, d. July 14, 1697.

John, b. October 18, 1688, m. Abigail Lee. He was in Brimfield in 1729, in Springfield in 1732, and in Brimfield in 1735.

Noah, b. December 2, 1691, d. July 27, 1697.

Nathaniel, b. December 6, 1693, m. Rebecca Prichet. Was in Brimfield in 1735.

Martha, b. March 11, 1695, d. —.

Martha, b. June 16, 1697, m. Thomas Terry, Jr., and John Miller.

Mary, b. June 16, 1697, m. Benjamin Wright.

OBADIAH MILLER, JR.

Obadiah Miller, Jr., son of Obadiah and Joanna, m. Benedicta Lawton, June 15, 1683. She died September 2, 1719, and he married Widow Dorothy Chapin of Enfield, March 18, 1721. He died August 25, 1731. He was a servant of John Stuart, the blacksmith, and named a son for him, who left some property to him upon his death. His children were:—

Sarah, b. 1684, d. November 24, 1684.

Stuart, b. January 2, 1685, d. June 3, 1704.

Mary, b. February 2, 1688, m. Thomas Hale.

John, b. January 29, 1690, m. Mary Mattoon or Priscilla Hale.

Hannah, b. October 12, 1699.

Obadiah, b. May 21, 1706, m. Mary Perkins.

THOMAS MILLER.

Thomas Miller, brother of Obadiah, married Sarah Marshfield, sister of Samuel Marshfield, October 12, 1649. He was killed by the Indians October 5, 1675, and his widow married Edward Foster. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. September 3, 1650, m. Jonathan Ball.

Thomas, b. April 1, 1653, m. Rebecca Leonard.

Samuel, b. April 20, 1655, m. Ruth Beamon and 2nd, Widow Catherine Halliday.

John, b. April 23, 1657, m. Mary Beamon.

Joseph, b. September 27, 1659, d. November 10, 1659.

Josiah, b. September 27, 1660.

Deborah, b. November 9, 1662, m. James Gerald.

Martha, b. November 4, 1665, m. John Ferry.

Ebenezer, b. August 25, 1667, m. Hannah Keep.

Mehitable, b. November 12, 1669, m. John Clemmons.

Joseph, b. December 13, 1671, d. December 26, 1671.

Experience, b. May 19, 1673, m. Samuel Frost.

THOMAS MILLER, JR.

Thomas Miller, Jr., son of Thomas and Sarah, m. Rebecca Leonard, daughter of John and Sarah, December 1, 1681. He died March 5, 1690, and his widow married Samuel Billings, of Hatfield, December 20, 1690. Their children were:

Sarah, b. —, d. September 29, 1684.

Thomas, b. December 18, 1684, d. February 5, 1685.

Rebecca, b. December 29, 1685.

Thomas, b. October 31, 1687, m. Abigail (Day) Warriner, 2nd, Mary Meekins.

SAMUEL MILLER.

Samuel Miller, son of Thomas and Sarah, married Ruth Beamon, daughter of Simon Beamon, April 9, 1685. She died May 8, 1702, and he married Catherine Halliday, widow of Walter, and daughter of William Hunter, June, 1710. He died February 11, 1727, and his widow was living at that time. The children of Samuel and Ruth Miller were:—

Samuel, b. March 23, 1687, m. Abigail Halliday.

Sarah, b. September 21, 1687, m. Ebenezer Ashley.

Josiah, b. December 27, 1691, d. November 3, 1769.

Thomas, 2nd, b. May 14, 1693, m. Sarah Meekins.

Benjamin, b. May 7, 1695, d. at Northfield, September 23, 1770.

Ruth, b. December 27, 1697, m. John Stevenson.

Mehitable, b. —, 1700, m. David Lombard, and second, Thomas Bliss.

Son, s. b. May 8, 1702.

Ichabod, b. March 25, 1704, m. Hannah Van Horn.

JOHN MILLER.

John Miller, son of Thomas and Sarah, m. Mary Beamon, daughter of Simon. Their children were:—

Mary, b. —, m. Oliver Barker.

Joseph, b. March 12, 1700, m. Mary Combs.

Moses, b. February 24, 1707, m. Elizabeth Field, and second, Esther Miller.

John, not b. here, m. Widow Martha Terry.

EBENEZER MILLER.

Ebenezer Miller, son of Thomas and Sarah, married Hannah Keep, daughter of John and Sarah, October 16, 1690. He died February 6, 1754. Their children were:—

Ebenezer, b. March 11, 1692, m. Elizabeth Smith.

Martha, b. June 19, 1695, m. Ebenezer Leonard.

Hannah, b. July 27, 1696, m. Samuel Jones.

Jonathan, b. August 16, 1698, m. Abigail Noble.

Sarah, b. March 15, 1700, m. William Smith.

Margaret, b. April —, 1702, m. Daniel Graves.

Jacob, b. October 11, 1704.

Elizabeth, b. March 12, 1707.

Esther, b. April 9, 1709, married Moses Miller.

Rachael, b. —, —, m. Benj. Pike.

MILES MORGAN.

Miles Morgan was one of three brothers to emigrate to America, he being the youngest. James, John and Miles sailed from Bristol, England, in March, 1636, and landed in Boston. They were born in Wales, Miles in 1615. James settled in New London, John went to Virginia, and Miles came to Springfield. The first record of him here was in 1644. He married Prudence Gilbert of Beverly, at Salem in 1643. She died January 14, 1660, and he married Elizabeth Bliss, daughter of Thomas and Widow Margaret, February 18, 1669. He died May 28, 1699. He served one year as Constable and was five times chosen a Selectman, holding the latter office in 1655, 1657, 1660, 1662, and 1668.

He opened an account with John Pynchon, August 30, 1652, by purchasing 9 yards of Devonshire kersey at 9s, which amounted to £4 1s, 9 yards of Red Cotton at 3s 8d, 2 yards of Scots cloth 5s, several pairs of stockings and a variety of other family necessities, including 2 combs, 4 pairs of "sissars," 4 inkhorns, and a looking glass, the latter costing 2s. The lost charge in the year was for "7 Pills, 14d." Many of the credits were for "voyadges" down to the falls or to the "foote of the falls," refering to the falls in the Connecticut at Enfield. "By carrying goods down & bringing up with Goodman Merrick in July, 1663, your part is £1 14s 1d."

His homelot was on the south side of the present Cyprus Street, next to Main Street, on what was the lane to the upper wharf. He appears to have been a thrifty inhabitant and by killing "beasts," and carrying down "corne," and doing a great variety of work for Pynchon, he escaped the perils of owing too much at his store. His "housing and lands" do not appear to have been transferred to John Pynchon's pos-

sessions, who seems to have placed confidence in his accuracy in accounts, for he frequently enters in his book, "By worke as in Miles his Booke," and they were balanced accordingly. He came from a sturdy race and many of his descendants have been noted as successful business men in various parts of the country. His children were:—

- Mary, b. February 4, 1644, m. Edmund Pryngrydays.
- Jonathan, b. November 16, 1646, m. Sarah Cooley.
- David, b. September 23, 1648, m. Mary Clark.
- Pelatiah, b. July 7, 1650, killed by the Indians, 1676.
- Isaac, b. May 12, 1652, m. Abigail Gardner.
- Liddia, b. April 8, 1652, m. John Peirce.
- Hannah, b. April 11, 1656, m. Samuel Terry, Jr.
- Mercy, b. July 8, 1658.

Children by the Second Wife.

- Nathaniel, b. June 14, 1671, m. Hannah Bird.

DAVID MORGAN.

David Morgan, son of Miles and Prudence, married Mary Clark, daughter of John and Mary, January 16, 1672. He died May 30, 1731, and his wife April 22, 1755. Their children were:—

- Prudence, b. —, d. December 9, 1673.
- Pelatiah, b. March —, 1676.
- Pelatiah, b. October 18, 1677, m. Lydia Bird.
- David, b. February 18, 1679, m. Deborah Colton.
- Abigail, b. 1681.
- John, b. October 7, 1682, m. Mercy Colton, and second, Hannah Chapin.
- Jonathan, b. September 13, 1685, d. October 24, 1685.
- Mary, b. December 24, 1686, m. Nathaniel Bliss.
- Jonathan, b. —, d. November 4, 1711.
- Morgan Genealogy gives as below:—
- Ebenezer, b. March 7, 1692, m. Mary Horton, and second, Sarah Warner.
- Benjamin, b. May 2, 1695, m. Mary Graves.

ISAAC MORGAN.

Isaac Morgan, son of Miles and Prudence, married Abigail Gardner, daughter of Samuel of Hadley, November 12, 1673. He went to Enfield, Conn. The date of his death not ascertained. Savage states that out of five children only one survived the father. Those on record here are as below:—

Prudence, b. November 12, 1674.

Elizabeth, b. August 27, 1677.

Jonathan, b. January 15, 1679.

In 1706 Isaac Morgan gives a deed of land in which Abigail, sister of Jonathan, is mentioned, and in 1708 the father being dead she gave a deed. In 1729 Stephen Noble and wife Abigail of New Milford, Conn., sell land laid out to Isaac Morgan of Springfield, deceased.

GEORGE MOXON.

Rev. George Moxon was from Yorkshire, England. He was educated at Sidney College, Cambridge, from which he was graduated in 1623, with the degree of A. B. On coming to New England he settled at Dorchester. September 7, 1637, he was made a freeman and not long afterward came to Springfield. In 1639 he represented Springfield in the General Court at Hartford. The witchcraft examinations mentioned in the first volume and the return of Mr. Pynchon to England, must have influenced him in his decision to go back to the country from whence he had come. He sold his house and lands to the town in 1652 and returned that year. He died in England September 15, 1687, aged 85 years. His children born here were:—

Union, February 11, 1641.

Samuel, b. May 10, 1645.

Son, b. May 19, 1647.

BENJAMIN MUNN.

Benjamin Munn came here from Hartford and married Abigail, the widow of Francis Ball, April 2, 1649. She was

the daughter of Henry and Eulalia Burt, who was born about 1623. In 1637 he was a member of Capt. Mason's company, engaged in the Pequot war. He received from Hartford in 1639, a grant of land on the east side of "Cow Pasture" lane, now Hartford's North Main Street. He resided here on the lot that was granted to his wife's first husband, Francis Ball. In 1653 he was fined 5 shillings for "taking tobacco in his hay-cock." "Taking tobacco" means using it. He died November —, 1655, and she married Lieut. Thomas Stebbins, December 14, 1676. His children were:—

Abigail, b. June 28, 1650, m. Thomas Stebbins, Jr.

John, b. February 8, 1652, m. Abigail Parsons.

Benj., b. March 1, 1655.

James, b. February 10, 1656, m. Widow Mary Pantheron.

Nathaniel, b. July 25, 1661, m. Sarah Chapin.

JAMES MUNN.

James Munn, son of Benjamin and Abigail, m. Widow Mary Pantheron. Intention of marriage May 29, 1698. She was a daughter of Samuel Moody. She died June 20, 1725, aged 62. He died December 18, 1744, aged 86. Their children were as below:—

Mary, b. here February 18, 1699.

Went to Colchester and had:—

Abigail, b. October 17, 1700.

James, b. February 2, 1703.

Hannah, b. March 26, 1706.

Sarah, b. June 28, 1708.

JOHN MUNN.

John Munn, son of Benj. and Abigail, m. Abigail Parsons, daughter of Benj. and Sarah, married December 23, 1680. He went to Westfield and had there, John, b. March 16, 1682. Sheldon's Northfield said he had born at Westfield, Benj. and James. He died September 16, 1684, and his widow Abigail, married John Richards.

NATHANIEL MUNN.

Nathaniel Munn, son of Benj. and Abigail, m. Sarah Chapin, daughter of Japhet and Abilene, March 24, 1689. He died December 31, 1743. His widow died November 23, 1747. He was a Deacon of the first church of Springfield, and a man who was highly respected. Their children were:

Nathaniel, b. —, m. Hannah Colton, 1721.

Sarah, b. September 10, 1692, m. Samuel Taylor of Deerfield.

Abigail, b. April 9, 1796, m. Thomas Bridgman of Northampton.

Benjamin, b. May 20, 1698, d. June 2, 1698.

Hannah, b. May 20, 1698, m. Edward Baker of Northampton.

Benjamin, b. August 12, 1700, went to Brimfield and married Rebecca, daughter of John Russell.

Jemima, b. December 10, 1702.

Samuel, b. July 20, 1706, m. Sarah Van Horn.

John, b. January 24, 1709, m. Widow Abigail (Brewer) Merrick.

Ann, b. September 18, 1712, m. Rogers Clapp of Northampton.

ZEBULON MYGOT.

Zebulon Mygot, son of Joseph of Hartford, married Rachael Merrick, daughter of Thomas and Hannah, November 20, 1720. She died at Hartford, May 14, 1721, aged 20. Thomas Merrick's will, 1738, gives property to George Mygot, only child of his daughter Rachael, deceased. According to the church's record, Geo. Mygot died at Louisburg, 1745.

THOMAS NOBLE.

Thomas Noble married Hannah Warriner, daughter of William and Joanna, March 9, 1660. He died January 20, 1704, and his widow married Medad Promeroy. Their children were:—

John, b. March 6, 1662, m. Abigail Sacket.

Hannah, b. February 24, 1663, m. John Goodman.
 Thomas, b. January 14, 1665, m. Elizabeth Dewey.
 Went to Westfield and had:—
 Elizabeth, b. February 9, 1673, m. Richard Church.
 Luke, b. July 15, 1675, m. Hannah Stebbins.
 James, b. October 1, 1677, m. Ruth —.
 Mary, b. June 29, 1680, m. Ephraim Colton.
 Rebecca, b. January 4, 1683.

JOHN NORTON.

John Norton married Lydia Bliss, daughter of Deacon Samuel and Margaret Wright, October 31, 1678. He died August 24, 1687 and his widow married John Lamb.

JAMES OSBORN.

James Osborn, married Joyce Smith, 1645. Their children were:—

Elizabeth, b. May 27, 1647.
 Mary, b. March 16, 1649, m. Thomas Bracey.
 James, b. May 8, 1654, d. December 17, 1721.
 Sarah, b. February 3, 1657, m. Joseph Wight.
 Samuel, b. February 1, 1663.

HUGH PARSONS.

Hugh Parsons married Mary Lewis October 27, 1645. Their trial for witchcraft has been told in the first volume. See pages 73-79, and 146. Their children were:—

Hannah, b. August 7, 1646.
 Samuel, b. June 8, 1646, buried March 8, 1649.
 Joshua, b. October 26, 1650, killed by his mother March 4, 1651.

BENJAMIN PARSONS.

Benjamin Parsons, married Sarah, daughter of Richard Vore of Windsor. He was a brother of Cornet Joseph Parsons, who married Mary Bliss. In Pynchon's account book, page 250, in an account with Joseph is this: "The wheat

your brother Benjamin delivered to me." Some of the descendants of Joseph have stated that he is not a brother of Benjamin. Benjamin was prominent in church and town affairs, was for many years a Deacon and a Selectman, and evidently was highly esteemed for character and ability. His wife died January 1, 1676, and he married, second, Sarah Leonard, widow of John, who was killed by the Indians, February 24, 1676. He died August 24, 1689, and his widow married Peter Tilton of Hadley, November 3, 1690. The children by his first wife were:—

Sarah, b. August 13, 1656, m. James Dorchester.

Benjamin, b. September 15, 1658, m. Sarah Keep.

Mary, b. December 10, 1660, d. January 27, 1652.

Abigail, b. January 6, 1662, m. John Munn, and second, John Richards.

Samuel, b. October 10, 1660, m. Hannah Hitchcock.

Ebenezer, b. November 17, 1668, m. Margaret Marshfield.

Mary, b. December 17, 1670, m. Thomas Richards.

Hezekiah, b. November 24, 1673, m. Hannah Cooley.

Joseph, b. December —, 1675, m. Abigail Phelps.

SAMUEL PARSONS.

Samuel Parsons, son of Benjamin and Sarah, m. Hannah Hitchcock, daughter of John and Hannah, March 18, 1683. He died at Enfield, February —, 1736, aged 70. Their children were:—

Samuel, b. November 3, 1690, m. Abigail Randall.

Born at Enfield.

John, b. July 23, 1693, m. Thankful Root.

Luke, b. January 4, 1696, m. Sarah Osborn.

Hezekiah, b. April 13, 1698, m. Rebecca Burt.

Hannah, b. August 2, 1700, m. Nathaniel Horton.

Nathaniel, b. December 28, 1702, m. Mary Pease.

Sarah, b. November 10, 1704, m. Thomas Jones.

Moses, b. January 10, 1707, m. Hannah Stebbins.

Merriam, b. April 9, 1710, m. Caleb Jones.

Daniel, b. —.

JOSEPH PARSONS.

Joseph Parsons, son of Benjamin and Sarah, m. Abigail Phelps, daughter of William Phelps of Northampton. Intention of marriage was entered March 26, 1698. He was prominent in town affairs, and was a Deputy in the General Court. He died October 21, 1733. His widow married Pelatiah Morgan, February 17, 1767. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. February 16, 1698, m. John Merrick.

Joseph, b. —, 1702, m. Hannah Penne of Windsor.

HEZEKIAH PARSONS.

Hezekiah Parsons, son of Benj. and Sarah, married Hannah Cooley, daughter of Eliakim & Hannah, February 20, 1701. He settled in Enfield, was a resident of Suffield and also of East Windsor. Stile's Windsor says he died March 18, 1756, aged about 83, and that his widow Abigail died October 25, 1764. His children born here were:—

Hannah, b. December 13, 1701.

Hezekiah, b. July 11, 1708.

EBENEZER PARSONS.

Ebenezer Parsons, son of Benj. and Sarah, married Margaret Marshfield, daughter of Samuel and Catherine, April 10, 1690. He died September 23, 1752, aged 84. He was a Deacon 52 years. His wife died June 12, 1758 in her 87th year. Their children were:—

Ebenezer, b. January 12, 1690, m. Martha Ely.

Margaret, b. September 19, 1693, m. Daniel Elmer.

Jonathan, b. July 15, 1695, drowned July 1, 1703.

Benjamin, b. December 15, 1696, m. Martha Bliss.

Caleb, b. December 27, 1699, m. Widow Mirriam Williston.

Sarah, b. February 4, 1703, m. Pelatiah Hitchcock.

Jonathan, b. November 30, 1705, became a minister, m. Phebe, daughter of John Griswold of Lyme, Conn.

Abigail, b. October 21, 1708, m. Thomas Day.

JOSEPH PARSONS.

Joseph Parsons, known to his descendants as Cornet Joseph, was among the very earliest settlers in Springfield. The first record of him dates back to July 15, 1636, when he signed the deed transferring the lands from the Indians to William Pynchon, Jehu Burr and Henry Smith. There is nothing to show that he remained here at that time. The next known of him was his marriage in Hartford to Mary, daughter of Widow Margaret Bliss, little more than ten years later,—November 26, 1646. He had three children born before coming to make a permanent settlement, three born here and seven born in Northampton, to which place he went shortly after the beginning of the settlement there, in 1654 or 1655. During the interval of ten years, between his signing the Indian deed and the record of him in 1646, nothing is known of his place of abode. He was the first one bearing his family name to come here to reside. His brother Benjamin did not arrive until several years later. There was a Thomas Parsons at Windsor, but there is no known relationship between him and Cornet Joseph.

His military title dates from 1678, following the Indian disturbances in the Connecticut Valley. Philip Smith was appointed "Leiftenant to the troop of horse of Hampshire County, under the command of Major John Pynchon, and Joseph Parsons to be Cornet of said troop." He was granted many pieces of land in Springfield before he went to Northampton. He resided on the lot next south of that of his wife's mother, Margaret Bliss, until he removed to Northampton.

His first official position was that of highway surveyor, chosen in January, 1646. In 1650 he was made overseer of fences and in 1652 he was elected Selectman. Clocks were unknown to the first settlers and in the transactions of the Selectmen in 1653 there is this record: "Voted to give Joseph Parsons 13 shillings for an hour glass." About this time he began trading with the Indians, buying goods of

John Pynchon, exchanging them with the Indians for beaver and other skins and selling them to Pynchon for goods. This was pursued for many years and at his death in 1683 he was the wealthiest person, excepting Pynchon, in the old County of Hampshire. Pynchon sold him special rights to trade with the Indians and thus favored he secured evidently a large business. The following agreement is copied from the Pynchon account books and refers to Hadley and the country north of it. It is as follows:—

“August 24, 1657. Agreed with Joseph Parsons for y^e trade of Nolwotog & thence up the River, for which he is to allow for this year ensuing y^e Sum of Twelve pounds to be paid in Bever. Y^e winter bever at 8s pr lb, y^e spring at 9s, & I am to furnish him with Trading cloth at 7s 6d pr yd, & with shag cotton at 3s 7d pr yd, & to take of his Bever at 8s pr lb for y^e winter Bever, & y^e Spring Bever at 9s pr lb, excepting the stag Bever, & small skins, which I am to take at such price as wee can agree at, & in case of not agreeing, that is to say, if I cannot yield to his price for y^e stag & small skins, then he is at liberty to pay me so much wheate as y^e stag Bever comes to in leu thereof, he being otherwise engaged to pay unto me all his Bever & likewise otter & mush-quashes.”

His accounts with Pynchon extend through the greater part of his active years. His indebtedness to him, frequently exceeded \$3,000, and to some extent show his business operations, which were exceedingly large for that time.

At Northampton he was a leading citizen and received many grants of land from the town. In addition to his Indian trade he kept the “ordinary,” a house of entertainment. In the spring of 1671 he and a small party from Northampton went on an exploring expedition to what is now Northfield and there bargained with the Indians for a large and valuable tract of land lying on both sides of the Connecticut River. He received grants of land there and bore his share of the charges of the first settlement. He did not go there to live, but held a large tract at the time of his death.

After an active life of twenty-four years at Northampton he returned at about the age of 60 to Springfield in the spring of 1679, and purchased the lot of John Pynchon which formerly belonged to Thomas Cooper, and which Pynchon had acquired by debt of the widow of Cooper's son, Timothy. It included in homelot, meadow and woodland, about 27 acres, for which Parsons paid £130, nearly equivalent to \$650. The lot was first granted to Henry Smith, William Pynchon's son-in-law, and is situated between Worthington and Bridge Streets. After his return here he was again called to public service. In 1681 he and Jonathan Burt were appointed a Committee to examine the Selectmen's accounts, and his autograph is affixed to the report, to be seen on page 155 of the second volume of the Town Records. In 1682 he was elected Selectman. His death occurred the next year, a little more than 47 years from the time he witnessed the transfer of the lands from the Indians to the representatives of the town.

The inventory of his estate as presented to the probate court amounted to £2,088 9s, the largest that had been probated up to that time in Hampshire County. The births of his three first children are not on record here. The others were born here and at Northampton. He died here October 9, 1683, and his widow died January 29, 1712. Their children were:—

Joseph, b. —, 1647, m. Elizabeth Strong.

Benjamin, b. —, d. here June 22, 1649.

John, b. —, 1649, d. soon.

Born Here.

John, b. August 14, 1650, m. Sarah Clarke, daughter of Lieut. Wm. Clarke.

Samuel, b. January 16, 1652, went to Durham, Conn.

Born at Northampton.

Ebenezer, b. May 1, 1665, killed by Indians, September 2, 1675.

Jonathan, b. June 6, 1657, m. Mary Clark.

David, b. April 30, 1659, d. young.

Mary, b. June 27, 1661, m. Joseph Ashley, and 2nd, Joseph Williston.

Hannah, b. August 1, 1663, m. Pelatiah Glover, Jr.

Abigail, b. September 3, 1666, m. John Colton.

Esther, b. December 24, 1672, m. Rev. Joseph Smith.

FRANCIS PEPPER.

Francis Pepper came here in 1645. He had no wife or children and died here December 5, 1685. He left his property to his nephews and nieces at Seaside, Conn., by the name of Northrop,—Joseph, Samuel, Jeremiah, Zopharu, Daniel, William, and Marah. His will was made in 1685.

JOHN PETTY.

John Petty and wife, Ann, came to Springfield in 1665. Savage says her name was Ann Canning, and that they were married at Boston, March 30, 1662. He died March 8, 1680, and his widow married Samuel Owen, September 5, 1681. Their children were:—

James, b. March 25, 1662, at Windsor, m. Mary Lawton.

John, b. November 9, 1666, m. Mary Taylor.

Hannah, b. December 11, 1667, d. January 1, 1668.

Mary, b. March 27, 1670, m. Thomas Taylor.

Joseph, b. September 27, 1672, went to Northfield, m. first, Elizabeth Edwards, and second, Sarah Edwards.

. Anna, b. May 19, 1675, d. May 12, 1691.

Child, s. b. June 23, 1677.

Ebenezer, b. October 28, 1678, was living in Springfield in 1731.

JOHN PETTY, JR.

John Petty, son of John and Ann, married Mary Taylor, April 13, 1693. Their children were:—

Mary, b. October 26, 1695, m. Robert Emmons of Brookfield.

John, b. April 6, 1701.

Joseph, b. —, d. August 29, 1710.

Abigail, b. April 3, 1713, m. Pedijah Field.

Ebenezer, b. —, m. Rebecca —.

JAMES PETTY.

James Petty, son of John and Ann, married Mary Lawton, daughter of John of Suffield, whose sister married Obadiah Miller, Jr., the same day, June 15, 1683. He was at North Brookfield about 1700. Their children were:—

John, b. January 5, 1684.

Mary, b. September 12, 1686.

James, b. July 31, 1688.

William, b. October 30, 1691, was at Richmond, R. I., in 1756.

Anna, b. June 23, 1694.

ROGER PRICHARD.

Roger Prichard was in Springfield, 1643. His wife Frances died here March 9, 1651. He went to Milford, Conn., and married Elizabeth, widow of William Slough, daughter of James Pruden. He then went to New Haven, and died there in 1681. Alice, who married Wm. Bradley, and Joan, who married John Lombard, were his daughters. He had also a son, Nathaniel.

EDMUND PRYNGRYDAYS.

Edmund Pryngrydays married Mary Morgan, November 1, 1666. He had no children. He died October 11, 1675, having been wounded October 5, 1675, at the time Springfield was burned by the Indians. She married Nicholas Rust.

WILLIAM PYNCHON.



The Founder.

country his wife and four children. After their arrival in Boston in 1630, they settled in Roxbury. His wife died the same year, and he married the Widow Frances Sanford of Dorchester. She was the mother of Henry Smith, who married Pynchon's daughter, Ann, and came to Springfield with him. She is said to have been a fitting companion of an educated man having the attainments of Mr. Pynchon. She must have had great influence in this community, remote from the older settlement from which she and her husband had come. His children were:—

The story of William Pynchon's conflict with the religious belief of the Bay authorities, the burning of his book of heresy in the Public Market Place in Boston, his examination by the Elders and Magistrates, and his return to England, have been fully told in the first volume of this work, to which is added here some account of his English ancestry, of his early history and place of residence after his return. William Pynchon, the founder of Springfield, brought to this



His Church, Springfield, England.

Ann, married Henry Smith.

Margaret, married at Springfield, Capt. William Davis of Boston.

Mary, married Elizur Holyoke.

John, only son, married Amy Wyllys of Hartford.

Pynchon, with seven others, came to Springfield from Roxbury in 1636. The date of settlement, according to the records was May 14, and on July 16, the lands were purchased of the Indians. He was the Magistrate of the town and Assistant in the General Court. Prior to his coming here, he was for a year or more, Treasurer of the Colony. In 1650 he examined many witnesses relative to a charge of witchcraft against Hugh Parsons and his wife Mary. This was the first appearance of this strange delusion in the courts of the Colony, forty years before the trials at Salem.

His will, which has been brought to light by the researches of Henry F. Waters, in England, and published in the Historical and Genealogical Register, is as follows:—

“My chief executor is at present absent. To Elizabeth, Mary and Rebecca Smith, daughters of my son Master Henry Smith, and to his son Elisha Smith, twenty pounds apiece, to be paid by my son M^r. Henry Smith at the time of their marriage, as he did unto Martha Smith, out of a bond which he owes me, of two hundred and twenty pounds; to my daughter Anne Smith the rest of the said bond (220^{li}) with the overplus of interest. To the children of my daughter Margaret Davis, of Boston in New England, deceased, videlicet unto Thomas, Benjamin and William Davis, ten pounds apiece to be paid by my son M^r Henry Smith. To my son Master John Pynchon, of Springfield in New England (a sum) out of the bond which he owes me of one hundred and six pounds, dated 15 April 1654. Whereas my son M^r. Henry Smith hath promise to pay unto me his debts which have been long due to him in New England and a horse of his at Barbadoes, for the satisfaction of an old debt that he owes me, in my Quarto Vellum Book, in page 112, I bequeath them to the children of my son Master Elizur Holyoke in

New England &c. To the poor of Wraysberie three pounds. Son M^r. John Pynchon of Springfield in New England to be executor, to whom the residue, provided he pay to Joseph and John Pynchon and to Mary and Hetabell Pynchon twenty pounds apiece. Mr. Wickens, citizen and girdler of London, and Mr. Henry Smith of Wraysbery to be overseers. Friend M^r. John Wickens to be my executor touching the finishing of my administration business concerning the estate of Master Nicholas Ware in Virginia, whose estate is thirty pounds in a bill of exchange to Capt. Pensax and about eighteen thousand of tobacco, in several bills made over by M^r. Nicholas Ware to Capt. John Ware of Virginia &c. To beloved sister Jane Tesdall of Abington twenty pounds; to sister Susan Platt twenty pounds, as a token of my cordial love; certain clothing to Mary, Elizabeth and Rebecca Smith."

The Pynchon genealogy in England, it appears by the researches of Mr. Waters has been incorrectly given in various publications in this country. He shows that William Pynchon, the founder of our Springfield, was the eldest son and heir of John Pynchon of Springfield, England, and that this John Pynchon was the second son of John Pynchon of Writtle, who was the eldest son and heir of William Pynchon of Writtle, who died in 1552, and not a son of Nicholas Pynchon, Sheriff of London. Dr. Thomas R. Pynchon of Hartford, says: "William Pynchon was educated at Oxford, matriculated at Hart Hall, afterwards Hertford College, October 14th, 1596, when he was eleven years old. It was then the custom to send boys to the Halls of Oxford at an early age. It was, no doubt, here that he acquired his familiarity with Latin, Greek and Hebrew, and accumulated those stores of theological and patriotic learning that he drew from later in life in writing his various works. He was in 1624 one of the church-wardens of Springfield Parish in England. Married Anna Andrew, daughter of William Andrew of Twiwell, County Northampton. Was one of the principal projectors of the settlement of New England. A patentee and assist-

ant named in the charter of the colony of Massachusetts Bay, granted by Charles I, March 28, 1628. Sailed from the Isle of Wight March 29, 1630, in the fleet of three vessels that carried the charter over. Founded Roxbury the same year and Springfield in 1636. Returned to England in 1652 and in 1653 bought lands in Wrasbury, County Bucks, near his Bulstrode relations in the adjoining parish of Horton, and directly opposite Magna Charta Island in the Thames, and the field of Runnymede. He died October 29, 1662, and was buried in the Wrasbury churchyard."

Pynchon's letters to Governor John Winthrop, to be found in the Massachusetts Collections, are interesting in occasional allusions to persons of that time, or of occurring incidents. In a letter dated Springfield, October 19, 1648, he alludes to Mr. Ludlow's visit at his house, and to some fault he found with the construction of some orders that had been prepared, to which he added this sage conclusion, "But often tymes it fals out that a man may be one of the 20 that will find fault, & yet be none of the 20 that will mend them."

Under date of October 30, 1645, he wrote Governor Winthrop: "My only son is now married & he hath brought home his wife this day to my howse, where he may continue as long as he finds comfort & benefit."

JOHN PYNCHON.

John Pynchon, son of William, married Amy Willys, daughter of Geo. Willys at Hartford, October 30, 1645. His wife, Amy, died January 9, 1699, aged 74. He died January 17, 1703, aged 76.

John Pynchon, the only son of the founder of Springfield, was 26 years old when his father returned to England. Inheriting the lands his father had acquired here and his store of goods, and the special privileges which had been granted to him in the way of trade with the Indians, the son at once entered upon a prosperous career, and was placed at the front of every undertaking leading to the development of the country, and to the acquisition of wealth. He had from the

start opportunities that came to no other inhabitant, and he possessed the ability to make the most of favoring circumstances. In both private and public concerns he was the leading spirit. He was chosen Selectman in 1650, Town Clerk in 1652, appointed Magistrate to try small causes in 1653, elected Deputy to the General Court in 1662, and soon afterward Assistant in the Council, or Upper House, which position he held until 1701, almost to the close of his life.

He was appointed by the General Court on the committees to establish the boundaries of the new towns within the vicinity of Springfield. He, with others, laid out the bounds of Northampton, Hadley, and what afterwards became Hatfield (purchasing the lands of the Indians), Westfield, Suffield, and Enfield. In short there was no movement of a public nature in which he was not concerned. Even the names of some of the new localities suggest his practical and unsentimental nature. For instance, Westfield was so named from the fact that it was a field west of Springfield; Suffield was originally Southfield, from its direction from Springfield, but the English habit of contracting the prefix to "suf" for south, curtailed it to Suffield. Enfield was sometimes written Endfield, suggesting that it was a field at the end of the town, it being supposed at the time that it was within the sphere of Massachusetts. It might, however, have derived its name from Enfield, in England. Then, at a much later date, came the naming of Brimfield, suggested perhaps from the fact it was on the brim of the settlement. Brookfield, in which Pynchon had a hand, was probably named from its numerous brooks. Going north, though Pynchon was not concerned in its beginning, Northfield received its name from its geographical position to the older settlements, and Deerfield, from the fact that its meadows made a good feeding place and were frequented by deer. Sunderland was originally in the Pynchon vernacular Swampfield. The Stony brooks of Suffield and up the Connecticut, received their names from Pynchon. These localities had something about their position sufficient to suggest

to his practical mind the names which they received and continue to bear at the present time.

He entered early into the military spirit which had come across the ocean as an inheritance. He was confirmed by the General Court in 1653 Lieutenant of the training band, in 1657 Captain of the company, and at a later date was made a Major of the troop, the local cavalry company, with the command of the military forces in this region.

The Colonial authorities appear to have had great confidence in his ability and the General Court appointed him on many important committees relative to boundary lines, and in 1680 he was sent to Albany to confer with Sir Edmund Andros, then Governor of New York, concerning the depredations that the Mohawks were making upon some of our outer settlements, and he succeeded in establishing friendly relations with the Indians, for which our General Court voted him £12.

The same year he was appointed with Joseph Dudley to establish the boundary line between Massachusetts and Connecticut. In 1685 he was one of the committee to make the final settlement of the boundary line between Springfield and Northampton. During his long service in the General Court there was scarcely an important question concerning boundaries or where tact and diplomacy were needed, that he was not given opportunity to bring about a peaceful settlement.

He was zealous in upholding the religion of his time, but he does not appear to have had any of the polemic, or controversial spirit of his father. He was too eminently practical to enter into the discussion of the different points in theology,—possibly from the fact he was deeply concerned in trade, and in the accumulation of wealth. Whatever success came to him he evidently regarded as God given. He took part in the religious observances of the town and at times conducted Sunday services, sometimes by reading and sometimes from his own meditations. During the ministry of George Moxon he wrote in a kind of short-hand the lead-

ing points in the sermons which are now in possession of the City Library, but it was constructed on no known system of the present.

The great calamity which befell Springfield October 5, 1675, the burning of the town by the Indians, occurred while he was at the head of his troops in Hadley, and his desponding letters concerning it, written to the Rev. John Russell of Hadley, and to the Governor, indicate that he was greatly affected and despaired of the ability of the settlement to recover from the affliction that had fallen upon it, but his fears proved greater than the reality and prosperity came to it in the subsequent years in the continued up-building of the town.

His penmanship was strong and clear, entirely unlike that of his father, but he lacked that thorough training that his father had received, which could hardly be otherwise considering he was placed under entirely different conditions in his youth. His recorded transactions lack system and an orderly arrangement in statement, but there is a certain picturesqueness that gives them the color of the times, a freshness that better trained minds sometimes lack. In entering the accounts in his ledger he frequently accompanied them with bits of conversation, or statements that enliven a very commonplace transaction, even to describing his leather breeches made for him by John Barber.

He was granted at various times large tracts of land. The Island in the Connecticut just north of the railroad bridge at Warehouse Point, in Connecticut, was given to him in 1681 by our General Court. He acquired many grants from the town as gifts, or for services in the erection of mills, or for other work done by him. The grain mill and the saw-mill were built and conducted in consideration of receiving grants of land.

His mercantile transactions extended up and down the Connecticut in the early years, having purchasers at Northampton and Hadley on the north, and at Windsor, Hartford, Wethersfield, and even New Haven, on the south. His

store probably had the largest stock of goods for many years of any within many miles of Springfield. Beaver skins bought of the Indians, or of those who traded with them, were shipped to England, and they enabled him to purchase goods for his store. Grain was sent down the Connecticut and around to Boston, but there is nothing to indicate here that it was shipped to England. He also had some trade with Barbadoes. His store was the medium of exchange,—goods for labor and produce, and his shipments abroad enabled him to keep up the supply which was so much needed in this frontier settlement. It would require a volume to treat of John Pynchon's transactions in all their fullness, but this glimpse of the man will serve to give some idea of his character and work. His children were:—

Joseph, b. July 26, 1646, d. unmarried December 30, 1682.

John, b. October 15, 1647, m. Margaret Hubbard.

Mary, b. October 2, 1650, m. Joseph Whiting.

William, b. October 11, 1653, d. June 15, 1654.

Mehitable, b. November 22, 1661, d. July 24, 1663.

JOHN PYNCHON, JR.

John Pynchon, Jr., son of John and Amy, married Margaret Hubbard, daughter of Rev. William Hubbard, at Ipswich. They returned to Springfield, and his wife died here November 11, 1716. He died here April 25, 1721, aged 74. Their children were:—

John, b. 1674, m. Bathshua Taylor and Phebe Sexton.

Margaret, b. —, m. Capt. Nathaniel Downing.

William, b. —, m. Catherine Brewer, daughter of Rev. Daniel Brewer.

WILLIAM PYNCHON.

William Pynchon, son of John and Margaret, m. Catherine Brewer, daughter of Rev. Daniel and Catherine, May 15, 1721. He was for many years Town Clerk in Springfield, and a Representative, with his son William, at the same time to the General Court. He died here January 1, 1741, aged

52. She died April 10, 1747, aged 47. He was a grandson of John and great-grandson of William, the founder of Springfield. His children were:—

Sarah, b. August 17, 1721, m. Col. Josiah Dwight.

William, b. December 12, 1723, settled in Salem, and died there.

Margaret, b. November 24, 1727, m. Elijah Williams.

Daniel, b. October 7, 1733, d. April 22, 1754, while a student at Yale College.

Joseph, b. October 30, 1737, settled in Gilford and married Sarah Ruggles.

JOHN PYNCHON, THIRD.

John Pynchon, son of John and Margaret, married Bethshua Taylor of Westfield, daughter of Rev. Edward and Elizabeth. She died June 30, 1710, aged 27, and he married 2nd, Phebe Sexton of Enfield, November 3, 1711. She died October 17, 1722, aged 36. He died July 12, 1742, aged 68. His children by the first wife were:—

Elizabeth, b. December 27, 1702, m. Benjamin Colton.

William, b. November 11, 1703, m. Sarah Bliss.

John, b. February 7, 1705, m. Mary Levitt.

Joseph, b. February 8, 1705, m. Mary Cheney.

Mary, b. October 10, 1706, m. Joseph Dwight.

Bethshua, b. January 1, 1708, m. Robert Harris.

Son, b. and . June 19, 1710.

Children by Second Wife.

Martha, b. —, d. December 8, 1712.

Edward, b. April 6, m. 1713 Rebecca (Stoughton) Bliss.

Nathaniel, b. March 3, 1715, d. October 10, 1722.

Martha, b. March 2, 1715.

George, b. April 20, 1717, m. Hannah Bartlett, and 2nd, Abigail Pease.

Charles, b. January 31, 1719, m. Anne Dwight.

Margaret, b. —, d. October 27, 1722.

THOMAS REEVES.

Thomas Reeves was married before he came here. He was a drummer, date of death was not stated, but he was buried November 5, 1650. His widow, Hannah Reeves, married Richard Exell, June 4, 1681. Savage states that their children born here were:—

Hannah, b. February 7, 1648.

John, b. March 12, 1651, buried May 24, 1652.

JOHN RICHARDS.

John Richards came here as a schoolmaster from Hartford. He married Widow Abigail Munn, widow of John, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah Parsons, October 7, 1676. They went to Westfield, and were in Springfield in 1697, and later of Newark, N. J. Payment for schooling was largely in Indian corn which was delivered at John Pynchon's store and he paid Mr. Richards mostly in goods. Their children born at Westfield were:—

John, b. July 26, 1687.

Abigail, b. July 10, 1689.

Thomas, b. November 7, 1791.

HENRY ROGERS.

Henry Rogers married Mary Exell, daughter of Richard and Hannah, December 30, 1675. He died September 26, 1724. His widow died October 23, 1732. Their children were:—

Mary, b. December 23, 1676, d. February 4, 1679.

John, b. March 5, 1678, m. Abigail Rose.

Dorothy, b. September 5, 1679, m. James Taylor, Jr.

Mary, b. August 18, 1681, m. Samuel Cooper.

Daughter, b. and d. April 6, 1683.

Son, s. b. September 12, 1686.

Henry, b. December 28, 1687, m. Sarah Remington;

HENRY ROGERS, JR.

Henry Rogers, Jr., son of Henry and Mary, intention of marriage entered with Sarah Remington, July 17, 1716. He died August 12, 1764, aged 80. His wife died September 28, 1757. Their children were:—

Elijah, b. April 20, 1720, m. Margaret Ely.

Sarah, b. September 27, 1722, m. William Worthington.

Margaret, b. May 21, 1725, m. Thomas Morgan.

Henry, b. May 3, 1728, m. Margaret Root.

JOHN ROGERS.

John Rogers, son of Henry and Mary, married Abigail Rose, daughter of Daniel of Wethersfield, March 25, 1708. Their children were:—

Abigail, b. April 4, 1709.

Mary, b. June 7, 1711.

John, b. April 29, 1713.

Thomas, b. March 31, 1715, d. September 28, 1715.

Abigail, b. August 3, 1717.

JOHN SCOTT.

John Scott married Sarah Bliss, daughter of Thomas and Margaret, July 20, 1659. He died January 2, 1690 at Suffield. His widow married Samuel Terry. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. October 19, 1663, m. Benjamin Leonard.

John, b. January 4, 1665.

Hannah, b. October 16, 1668, m. John Fowler.

Margaret, b. February 25, m. John Remington.

Ebenezer, b. August 31, 1673.

William, b. August 8, 1676, m. Sarah Foote.

Mary, b. December 29, 1678, m. Ebenezer Nash or John Soley.

Elizabeth, b. Suffield, September 2, 1683, m. Jonathan Worthington.

WILLIAM SCOTT.

William Scott, son of John and Sarah, m. Sarah Foote, daughter of Samuel and Mary of Hatfield, June 21, 1706. He died December 31, 1673, and his widow November 22, 1764. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. June 12, 1707, m. Benjamin Dickinson.

John, b. March 9, 1709, d. at Hadley, October 3, 1737.

Mary, b. August 4, 1710.

Margaret, b. August 2, 1712, d. —.

Elizabeth, b. January 20, 1714, m. Stewart Southgate.

Margaret, b. December 25, 1720, d. April 6, 1737.

William, b. November 8, 1723, m. Abigail, daughter of Isaac Kibbe of Enfield.

JOHN SEARLE.

John Searle married Sarah Baldwin, March 19, 1639. He came here about that time. He was a brother-in-law of William Warriner. He was buried September 6, 1641. He had one son born here, John, May 3, 1641, whose mother married Alexander Edwards and he went to Northampton with her. He was the ancestor of the many families bearing the name of Searle who have resided in this part of the State.

JOHN SEARLE.

John Searle, son of the preceding John, married Ruth Janes, July 3, 1667. She died November 20, 1672, and he married second, Mary North of Farmington, May 30, 1675. She died November 5, 1726. He died October 3, 1718. His children were:—

John, b. March 11, 1669, d. March 23, 1669.

John, b. August 6, 1670. Slain by the Indians.

Child, b. November 20, 1672, d. same day.

James, b. February 12, 1676.

Mary, b. about 1678, d. unmarried March 24, 1729.

Ebenezer, b. January 9, 1680.

Ruth, b. December 17, 1681, m. Jonathan Gilbert of Windsor, November 15, 1707.

Sarah, b. February 28, 1664.

Nathaniel, b. May 3, 1686.

Lydia, b. August 22, 1688, m. Ebenezer King of Westfield.

John Searle opened an account with John Pynchon as below, at the bottom of which is an autograph signature, written when he was 23 years old:—

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JOHN SEARLE.

John Searle, grandson of the first John Searle of Springfield, and son of the John who was born here, was killed by the French and Indians in the massacre at Pascommuck, May 13, 1704, married Abigail Pomeroy, April 5, 1694. They had five children, three of whom were slain with their father, and another, Elisha, captured and carried to Canada. A fifth child, Submit, posthumus, married John Clark. The family record is as follows:—

Elisha, b. February 4, 1695, taken to Canada.

Abigail, b. August 15, 1697, slain May 13, 1704.

John, b. August 9, 1700, slain May 13, 1704.

Caleb, b. November 7, 1702, slain May 13, 1704.

Submit, b. September 17, 1704, posthumus, m. John Clark in 1732.

Pascommuck, the little hamlet a short distance west of the present Mount Tom station, was the scene of one of those

brutal attacks by the French and Indians, which took place early in the 18th century. It was then within the limits of Northampton, but now a part of Easthampton. Mr. James R. Trumbull's History of Northampton, recently published, gives an account of the massacre from which this is taken:—

“The attack on Pascommuck occurred about daybreak, on the 13th of May, 1704. It was made by a body of French and Indians, commanded by Sieur de Montigny. The village of Pascommuck lies at the foot of the upper peak of Mt. Tom (now Mt. Nonotuck). As no watch was kept the garrison was completely surprised. The house of Benoni Jones was fortified, but the Indians were able to approach near enough to put their guns through the port holes before the sleepers were aroused. Thirty-three persons were living there at this time. Of these 19 were killed, three escaped, eight were rescued, and three carried to Canada. The slain were Samuel Janes, wife and three children, four children of Benjamin Janes, Benoni Jones and two children, John Searle and three children, Moses Hutchinson and child, and Patience Webb. Three were found who had been knocked in the head, and one of them scalped, but all recovered. Elisha Searle, son of John, Esther, wife of Benoni Jones, and Margaret Huggins, were carried away captive. Mrs. Jones died in Canada, the others returned. Elisha Searle was a soldier in the succeeding wars, and had an interesting history.”

THOMAS SEWELL.

Thomas Sewell was not a long resident of Springfield. He had born here the following children:—

Child, b. September 5, 1648, d. September 26, 1648.

Abigail, b. March 14, 1649.

RICHARD SIKES.

Richard Sikes married Phebe —, before coming to Springfield. His first child was born in Roxbury. He was on the first Board of Selectmen, and served in many minor offi-

ces. He died March —, 1676, and his widow d. January 2, 1687. Their children were:—

Rebecca, b. at Roxbury, 1640, m. Nathaniel Burt, son of Henry.

Experience, b. 1642, d. June 7, 1648.

Increase, b. August 6, 1644, m. Abigail Fowler.

Nathaniel, b. October 30, 1646, m. Hannah Bagg, daughter of John Bagg.

Victory, b. March 3, 1649, m. Elizabeth Burt.

James, b. June 11, 1651, d. March 24, 1712.

NATHANIEL SIKES.

Nathaniel Sikes, son of Richard and Phebe, married Hannah Bagg, daughter of John and Hannah, February 3, 1680. He died September 15, 1687, and his widow died May 13, 1740. Their children were:—

Hannah, b. June 27, 1682, d. July 29, 1685.

Hannah, b. July 14, 1685, m. Samuel Barker.

Nathaniel, b. August 23, 1686, d. April 13, 1750.

VICTORY SIKES.

Victory Sikes, son of Richard and Phebe, m. Elizabeth Burt, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth, January 22, 1672. He married second, at Suffield, January 16, 1684, Elizabeth Granger. She died March 20, 1692, and he married third, Widow Mary Trumble, December 22, 1692, and died at Suffield, April 25, 1708. His children were:—

Jonathan, b. December 16, 1673, d. August —, 1674.

Jonathan, b. July 17, 1675, m. Mary Lane of Suffield and d. there September 25, 1710.

Elizur, b. December 11, 1677, d. December 28, 1677.

Abel, b. February 24, 1678, d. March 14, 1679.

Samuel, b. March 3, 1680, m. Melitable Hanchet.

Benjamin, b. October 16, 1682, d. November 1, 1682.

Victory, child by second wife, b. at Suffield, September 5, 1689, m. Mary King of Suffield.

John, b. —, d. April 19, 1690.

INCREASE SIKES.

Increase Sikes, son of Richard and Phebe, married Abigail Fowler, daughter of Ambrose and Jane, March 22, 1671. He died March 24, 1712, and his widow died June 19, 1733. Their children were:—

- John, b. April 23, 1672, d. November 10, 1689.
- Nathaniel, b. July 7, 1673, m. Elizabeth Ball.
- Increase, b. January 1, 1675, m. Mary Knowlton.
- Abigail, b. March 16, 1677, m. Wm. Hendrick.
- Rebecca, b. September 15, 1678, m. Samuel Wright.
- Samuel, b. March 27, 1680, m. Mary Foot.
- Phoebe, b. February 21, 1682, d. March 15, 1682.
- James, b. March 27, 1684.
- Benjamin, b. December 5, 1685, d. June 30, 1687.

HENRY SMITH.

Henry Smith, the first Town Recorder of Springfield, married Ann, daughter of William Pynchon. His mother, widow Frances Sanford, had previously married Pynchon. He was chosen on the first Board of Selectmen and served seven years. In 1651 he was a Deputy to the General Court and held the office only through one session. The Court appointed him Magistrate for Springfield, as the successor of William Pynchon, but he returned to England in 1653, and it does not appear that he gave much service in that office. He was an unusually fine penman and his records of the town, of which he was Clerk, from the beginning of the settlement in 1636 up to his departure in 1653, were exceedingly well kept.

On returning he went to Wraysbury, in the County of Bucks, where he lived till his death in 1681, or '82. His will, made August 1, 1681, and proved October 24, 1682, is published in "Genealogical Gleanings in England," by Henry F. Waters (N. E. Hist. and Gen. Register, April, 1894, p. 255), and is as follows: "My body to be buried in a decent manner. I do give unto my daughter Martha Camock five shil-

lings. To my daughter Mary Lord in New England five shillings. To my daughter Rebecca Lee, five shillings. To my son Elisha Smith five shillings. To my daughter Elizabeth Smith, not yet disposed of in marriage, I do give fifty pounds, to be paid at the time of her marriage, if she survive after her mother. I do, out of that dear and tender love I bear unto my beloved wife Mrs. Anna Smith, give and bequeath all and singular my goods, chattels, leases, debts, ready money, plate, rings, household stuff, apparel, brass, pewter, bedding, and all other my substance whatsoever, movable or immovable, quick and dead, of what nature, quality or condition the same are or be, as well in my own possession as in the hands and possession of any other person whatsoever, to her own proper use and behoof, whom I do hereby ordain and appoint to be my only executrix." One of the witnesses to the will was his daughter, "Rebecca Lee of Wraybury, widow, aged about thirty years." His children born before coming here were:—

Ann, b. —, m. John Allen.

Mary, —, d. November 15, 1641.

Born Here.

Martha, b. July 31, 1641.

Mary, b. September 1, 1742-3, m. Richard Lord.

Elizabeth, b. October 22, 1644.

Margaret, b. April 23, 1646, d. June 24, 1648.

Sarah, b. August 8, 1647, d. June 30, 1648.

Sarah, b. November 1, 1648.

Rebecka, March 2, 1650.

Samuel, b. June 23, 1651, d. June 14, 1652.

Abigail, b. February 10, 1652.

Elisha, b. after his parents returned to England.

THOMAS STEBBINS.

Thomas Stebbins, who purchased the lot, a part of which is now Court Square, served on important committees and was three times elected Selectman. His accounts with Pynchon indicate that he must have been a tailor. He did very

little out-door work for Pynchon, except occasionally in harvesting. His account with John Pynchon was opened in August, 1652, and by the following February it had amounted to £14 10s. The credits given him from August to November of the following year amounted to £10 17s 6d. The first items of credit are: "By making 12 wastecoates, 8s; By 10 doz. caps at 6s pr. doz, £3; By 11 doz. & 9 wastecoates at 8s pr Doz., £4 14s; By making 3 doz. & 1 coates, £3 2s; By 1 doz. stockens, 5s; 2 days Taylring 2s; mending my clothes, 6d; By 4 dayes harvesting work, 8s." He is also charged with this: "Delivered to Thomas Stebbins 54 yds of white shag cotton for wastecoates & stockens, & p'ce of Red tape, and 30 yds of cloth in Remnants." He delivered to Pynchon not long afterwards 17 doz. caps and over one hundred "wastecoates." The large purchases of thread also indicate that the Stebbins family must have been exceedingly busy with the needle.

Thomas Stebbins, son of Rowland, was born in England. Married Hannah Wright, daughter of Dea. Samuel, November —, 1645. She died October 16, 1660, and he married Widow Abigail Munn, December 14, 1676. She was the widow of Francis Ball, and the daughter of Henry Burt. He died September 5, 1683, and his widow, June 2, 1707. The children of Thomas Stebbins by his first wife were:—

Samuel, b. September 19, 1646, m. Joanna Lamb, and 2nd, Abigail Brooks.

Thomas, b. July 31, 1648, m. Abigail Munn, and second, Widow Mary Day Ely.

Joseph, b. May 18, 1650, d. November 9, 1651.

Joseph, b. October 24, 1652, m. Sarah Dorchester.

Sarah, b. August 18, 1654, m. Samuel Bliss, Jr.

Edward, b. April 14, 1656, m. Sarah Graves and 2nd, Widow Mary Colton.

Benjamin, b. April 11, 1658, m. Abigail Denton, and 2nd, Widow Mary Ball.

Hannah, b. October 1, 1660, d. at 17 yrs.

Rowland, b. October 2, 1660, d. June 24, 1661.

THOMAS STEBBINS, JR.

Thomas Stebbins, Jr., son of Thomas and Hannah, married Abigail Munn, daughter of Benjamin and Abigail, Dec. 21, 1672. His wife died February 6, 1692. He married April 12, 1694, Mary, widow of Samuel Ely, and daughter of Robert Day. He died December 17, 1695, and his widow married John Coleman. In his will he mentions no sons and leaves his property to his three daughters. His children by his first wife were:—

Thomas, b. January 28, 1673, d. March 20, 1675.

Abigail, b. May 27, 1675, d. May 15, 1692.

Hannah, b. December 29, 1677, d. January 10, 1678.

Child, s. b., November 23, 1678.

Hannah, b. December 22, 1680, m. Luke Noble.

Thomas, b. November 13, 1682, d. September 9, 1684.

Daughter, s. b. May 16, 1685.

Sarah, b. April 17, 1686, m. David Parsons.

Mary, b. November 1, 1688, m. Nathan Wheeler.

Son, b. —, January 6, d. February 15, 1691.

JOHN STEELE.

John Steele of Westfield, son of Barrett and Mary, married Abigail Brooks, daughter of Benjamin and Mary, March 7, 1728. He died at the house of Ezra Stebbins, February 21, 1793, and she died August 12, 1774. Their children were:—

John, b. —, m. Eunice Crowfoot.

Abigail, b. December 4, 1731, m. Amaziah Sanderson.

Mary, bapt. March 10, 1734, m. Stephen Chandler.

Rhoda, bapt. June 22, 1735, m. Robert Sanderson.

Ann, bapt. July 25, 1737, m. Samuel Warner.

Aaron, b. July 13, 1739, m. Sarah Rumrill.

Seth, b. December 20, 1741.

Solomon, bapt. December 23, 1744.

Reuben, b. September 11, 1746.

Justin, b. August 13, 1749, m. Thankful Wright.

Squire, b. August 26, 1752, m. Tyrphena Wright.

BARRETT STEELE.

Barrett Steele married Mary Brooks, daughter of William and Mary, December 30, 1697. He died December 4, 1713. His widow resided in Suffield, and deeded land that was formerly her father's in 1730. Their children were:—

Mary, b. October 27, 1698, m. John Hodge.

Hannah, b. February 24, 1700, d. March 17, 1700.

Hannah, b. March 14, 1701.

Mercy, b. March 6, 1703, m. Nathaniel Olds.

John, b. March 9, 1707, m. Abigail Brooks.

Thankful, b. September 28, 1708.

Abigail, b. November 3, 1710, d. November 3, 1713.

Samuel, b. October 21, 1713.

JAMES STEVENSON.

James Stevenson, married Widow Joanna Barber, widow of John and daughter of Obadiah and Joanna Miller, June 4, 1691. This was his second marriage. He died December 23, 1711. His widow died November 30, 1713. Their children were:—

Jonathan, b. September 29, 1692, m. Margaret —.

Benajah, b. September 29, 1692, m. Priscilla —.

John, b. January 2, 1693, m. Ruth Miller.

Joanna, b. December 10, 1695, m. Ebenezer Leonard.

Sarah, b. June 16, 1697.

Bashuah, b. February 15, 1698, d. April 2, 1699.

Bethiah, b. May 30, 1702, d. June 11, 1702.

JOHN STILES.

John Stiles married Dorcas Burt, daughter of Henry and Eulalia, October 28, 1658. He was son of John Stiles of Windsor. They had born here one daughter. The remaining children are not on record here. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. September 12, 1661.

Hannah, b. March 23, 1665, m. Samuel Bliss.

John, b. December 10, 1665.

Ephraim, b. —, 1670, m. Abigail Neil.
 Thomas, b. —, 1673, m. Bethiah Hammer.

EPHRAIM STILES.

Ephraim Stiles, son of John and Dorcas, married Abigail Neil of Westfield, August 2, 1694. Their first three children, Rachael, Isaac and Ephraim, were born at Westfield. Two others, Abigail and Hannah, were born here: For many years he rang the bell for meetings and burials. He died December 31, 1650, aged 81 years. Their children were:—

Rachael, b. May 21, 1695.

Isaac, b. 1696, d. at Westfield.

Ephraim, b. December 5, 1699, was living in Westfield in 1733.

Abigail, b. March 15, 1704, d. May 14, 1713.

Hannah, b. July 31, 1708, m. David Jones.

JOHN STUART.

John Stuart was at Springfield as early as 1650. He married Sarah, daughter of John Stiles. He died April 21, 1690. He left all his property to his wife, Sarah, during her life time. Part was then to go to his kinsman, Ephraim Stiles, and the remainder to his faithful servant, Obadiah Miller, and to Obadiah's son, Stuart Miller. For his history, see page 62 of volume one.

THOMAS SWEETMAN.

Thomas Sweetman married Joyce —. She died April 16, 1691. He died in Barbadoes, June 17, 1691. Their children were:—

Esther, b. —, d. November 6, 1692.

Elizabeth, b. April 11, 1687, m. John Charles.

Thomas, b. June 25, 1690.

Mary, b. —, m. John Ferry.

PETER SWINCK.

Peter Swinck was for a time a negro servant of John Pynchon. From whence he came it is not known. There does not appear to have been any prejudice against color for Peter was seated with the boys of the first settlers in the same seat at church and he was granted lands in various parts of the town. Late in life he became a town charge and received the same support as others of the town's poor. He died December 17, 1699, and his widow Mary, November 24, 1708.

A deed dated 1723, mentioned Rachael Cornish, as heir and grand-daughter of Peter Swinck. Their children of record here were:—

Abraham, b. February 22, 1659, d. February 25, 1660.

Susanna, b. November 3, 1661, d. April 17, 1662.

JAMES TAYLOR.

James Taylor married Mary Taylor, daughter of Jonathan and Mary, January 17, 1667. His wife died March 18, 1700. He died October 27, 1720. Savage says he had been a servant of John Pynchon, which probably means that John Pynchon paid his passage, and that he lived with him till the amount was repaid in labor. Their children were:—

Rebecca, b. November 18, 1668, d. February 5, 1669.

James, b. November 26, 1669, m. Dorothy Rogers.

Mary, b. December 28, 1671, m. John Petty.

John, b. March 14, 1673, d. November 12, 1673.

Samuel, b. September 26, 1674, d. —.

Elizabeth, b. January 5, 1678, d. November 27, 1710.

Jonathan, b. October 30, 1679, m. Sarah Knowlton.

Ebenezer, b. August 26, 1681, d. June 27, 1689.

Thomas, b. at Suffield, January 10, 1684, d. June 17, 1703.

Samuel, b. April 6, 1686, m. Sarah Bagg.

Rebecca, b. July 12, 1689.

JAMES TAYLOR, JR.

James Taylor, Jr., son of James and Mary, married Dorothy Rogers, daughter of Henry and Mary, February 21, 1704.

His death is not on record. His estate was distributed in 1739. Their children were:—

Amos, b. February 26, 1704, m. Margaret Chapin.

Mary, b. November 4, 1706, m. John Carew.

Ebenezer, b. March 4, 1710, m. Ruth Mack Cranny.

Asabel, b. April 13, 1712, m. Widow Sarah Root, and second, Sarah Ashley.

Dorothy, b. April 25, 1713, m. Daniel Bush.

John, b. June 19, 1717, m. Martha Parsons.

JONATHAN TAYLOR.

Jonathan Taylor, son of James and Mary, married Sarah Knowlton, daughter of Benjamin and Hannah. Intention of marriage recorded January 26, 1712. He died October 14, 1749. A widow, Sarah Taylor, according to West Springfield Church Record, died March 11, 1765. The children of Jonathan Taylor were:—

Jonathan, b. August 27, 1714, d. November 2, 1745.

Sarah, b. January 10, 1718, d. June 29, 1742.

Joseph, b. August 16, 1720, m. Ruth Day.

SAMUEL TAYLOR.

Samuel Taylor, son of James and Mary, married Sarah Bagg, daughter of John and Mercy, January 17, 1717. He died December 18, 1774, in his 84th year, and was buried in the West Springfield cemetery. His wife died May 2, 1776, in her 82nd year. Their children were:—

Sarah, b. October 11, 1717, d. October 22, 1717.

Samuel, b. December 26, 1718, m. Sarah Stebbins, and second, Martha Lamb.

Sarah, b. August 5, 1721, m. Moses Ashley.

John, b. September 30, 1724.

Nathaniel, bapt. May 16, 1736, m. Cioe Brooks.

SAMUEL TERRY.

Samuel Terry married Ann Lobdell, January 3, 1660. She died May 16, 1684, and he married second, Widow Sarah

Scott, November 19, 1690. She died September 27, 1705. He died at Enfield, 1731.

Samuel Terry was in Springfield in 1650. The first mention of him is in a bond given to Benjamin Cooley to serve him "three years, six months and some odd days," in which Cooley agreed to teach him the trade of a linen weaver. It appears that Terry had been bound to William Pynchon, and probably for at least five years, for paying his passage to this country. The bond was entered in Pynchon's Magistrate Book and is given in full below:

October 15, 1650.

Know all men by these presents that I samuell Terry, with the consent of my present master, William Pynchon of Springfield, gent have put myself an apprentice to Benjamin Cooly of Springfield, weaver, his heirs & assigns to serve him or them in any kind of lawful Employment that the said Benjamin Cooly shall command me for and during the space of three years 6 months & some odd days, from the tyme of the date hereof: In consideration whereof I the said Benjamin Cooly doe bynde myself my heirs & executors to pay unto the said William his heirs, or assigns the some of nine pounds, viz fifty shillinge more at the 10 day of Aprill next 1651, and fifty shillinge at the 10 day of April 1652, & fifty shillings more at the 10 day of Aprill 1653, & thirty shilling the 10 of April 1654, at the house of the said Mr. Pynchon in good & merchantable wheat, at five shillinge p bushell, moreover I the said Benjamin Cooly do bynde myself my heirs & assigns to pay unto the said Samuell Terry now assigned & set over as above unto me as abovesaid, fifty shillinge in merchantable wheat & pease at the prise of abovesaid for the first years service, & fifty shillinge for the 2d year & fifty shillings for the 3d year & for the last half year & some odd days thirty & five shillinge, & also in the said space to find the said Samuell Terry meat drink & lodging fitting as servants ought to have: and also I doe here bynd myself to instruct him and teach him the trade of linen weaving according to the use of it in this Towne of Springfield, provide he will be willinge &

careful to learn it: And the said William Pynchon doth promise to the said Samuell Terry for his better encouragement to remit his last years service which he is bound by his Indenture made in England to serve him more than is expressed in this present agreement with Benjamin Cooly, & do also freely give him all the apparell that he hath at present both woolen & linen & doe also promise to give him twenty shillings more in such necessaries for apparell as he shall call for in the first years service with Benjamin Cooly: & the said Samuell doth bynde himself to be dilligent in service to the said Benjamin & not do him any damage according to his covenants expressed in his indenture to the said Mr. Pynchon which said indenture the said Mr. Pynchon doth assigne set over & deliver into the hand of the said Benjamin Cooly for the use & behoof of himself or any of the said persons mentioned in this contract, untill the said Samuell shall have performed the said service of 3 y 6 months & odd dayes from the date hereof: & for the Ratifienge of the said agreement the said Mr. Pynchon hath entered this agreement of public Records and also all the within named persons have hereunto set their hands this present 15 day of October 1650.

Witness

Richard Maund

Samuell Terry

John Benham

the mark of Benjamin Cooley

William Pynchon

He was chosen Constable, was placed on important committees, to assist in laying out town boundaries, and to do other work of a public nature. Evidently he made good use of his time, not only with Cooley in his apprenticeship but in subsequent years. He opened his first account with John Pynchon May 22, 1654, when he purchased a bill of goods including "1 yd 1-2 qr. of stuff, 1 yd 1-2 of blew cotton, 1 sickle, having promised to help me reap 2 days when I call." He was much in Pynchon's employ, going to the Enfield falls with wheat and bringing back goods to the Pyn-

chon store, sometimes in connection with Miles Morgan and at other times with Thomas Miller. The balance in his accounts do not appear to have been more than a few pounds, to which he frequently set his hand.

The movement to settle Enfield was originated by John Pynchon and a few others, and later Samuel Terry moved there with his family. The first town meeting in Enfield was held in 1688, and John Pease, Jr., and Samuel Terry were chosen Selectmen, and the latter became one of the most active and prominent men in the new settlement. The first meeting house was built in 1683, and in 1705 another larger and better building was erected. The work was done by Sejeant Terry and Zachariah Booth. When finished he and three others were appointed with the Selectmen a committee "to seat the meeting house before they meet in it."

The descendants of Samuel Terry include Seth Terry, founder of the clock industry in Connecticut, and General Terry of the War of the Rebellion. The children of Samuel and Ann Terry are as follows:—

Samuel, b. July 18, 1661, m. Hannah Morgan.

Ephraim, b. August 26, 1663, drowned July 15, 1670.

Thomas, b. March 6, 1665, m. Martha Cooley.

Mary, b. July —, 1667, m. Jeremiah Horton.

Rebecca, b. July 25, 1669, d. August 18, 1670.

Daughter, s. b. December 12, 1670.

Ephraim, b. February 3, 1671, m. Hannah Eggleston, went to Lebanon and died there in 1730.

Rebecca, b. December 5, 1673, m. Abel Wight, Jr.

Elizabeth, b. March 25, 1677, d. April 21, 1677.

Ann, b. — m. John Bliss.

SAMUEL TERRY, JR.

Samuel Terry, Jr., son of Samuel and Ann, lived at Enfield, and married Hannah Morgan, daughter of Miles and Prudence, May 17, 1682. Goodwin says she died January 17, 1697, and he married Martha, widow of Benjamin Crane.

He died January 2, 1731, in his 70th year. Their children were:—

- Hannah, b. November 18, 1684, m. Wm. Bement.
- Samuel, b. March 26, 1690.
- Rebecca, b. November 15, 1692, m. John Haskell.
- Ebenezer, b. March 31, 1696.

Children by His Second Wife.

Benjamin, b. October 13, 1698, m. Hannah Pease, daughter of James.

Ephraim, b. October 24, 1701, m. Ann —.

Jacob, b. February 20, 1704, m. Mary Pease, daughter of James.

Martha, b. February 18, 1706, d. March —.

Jonathan, b. November 17, 1707, m. Sarah Pease, daughter of James.

Isaac, b. April 17, 1713.

THOMAS TERRY.

Thomas Terry, son of Samuel and Ann, married Mary Cooley, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah, April 21, 1687. She died December 6, 1720, and he married Mary Meecham of Enfield. She was probably daughter of Thomas Root, and widow of Isaac Meecham. She died —, and he married third, Widow Hannah Chapin, 1736. She died January 27, 1743, aged 73 years. He died May 9, 1760, aged 96 years. His children, all by his first wife, were:—

Thomas, b. January 28, 1687, d. October 14, 1688.

Mary, b. October 31, 1689, m. John Lombard.

Anne, b. February —, 1691, m. Joseph Younglove.

Bethiah, b. July 4, 1694, m. Henry Burt.

Thomas, b. April 18, 1698, m. Martha Miller.

Rebecca, b. April 21 1700, m. John Brooks, July 19, 1722, and second, Benjamin Knowlton, Sr.

Samuel, b. April 28, 1703, m. Sarah Chapin.

ROWLAND THOMAS.

Rowland Thomas was chosen Selectman three times and was frequently appointed on committees in reference to measuring land and establishing boundaries. He married Sarah Chapin, daughter of Dea. Samuel and Cicely, April 14, 1647. She died August 5, 1684. He died February 21, 1698. Their children were:—

- Joseph, b. September 6, 1647, d. June 12, 1648.
- Samuel, b. March 2, 1649, d. March 5, 1649.
- Mary, b. March 25, 1650, d. March 29, 1650.
- Joseph, b. March 25, 1651, m. Mary —.
- Benjamin, b. May 23, 1653, m. Anna Belding.
- Josiah, b. April 4, 1655, d. June 6, 1657.
- Josiah, b. October 22, 1657, d. November 9, 1657.
- Samuel, b. May 6, 1662, d. 1701.
- Child, b. and d. August 31, 1665.
- Sarah, b. September 14, 1666, m. James Warriner.
- Mary, b. January 9, 1668, d. July 11, 1670.
- Mercy, b. May 15, 1671, m. John Bagg.

BENJAMIN THOMAS.

Benjamin Thomas, son of Rowland and Sarah, married Anna Belding of Hatfield. He was in Brookfield in 1706. His children born here were:—

- Child, s. b. October 1, 1689.
- Sarah, b. September 2, 1690.
- Mary, b. December 26, 1692.
- Thomas, b. December 20, 1694.
- Anna, b. November 21, 1696.
- Samuel, b. January 7, 1699.

JOSEPH THOMAS.

Joseph Thomas, son of Rowland and Sarah, married Mary — of Hatfield. They went to Lebanon, Conn., and were there in 1702. They had three children born at Hatfield, and

the others, beginning with Mary, were born here. Their children were:—

Child, b. and d. February 6, 1675.

Joseph, b. December 10, 1676, d. December 21, 1676.

Samuel, b. November 9, 1677.

Mary, b. December 29, 1679.

Joseph, b. June 14, 1682.

Roland, b. March 26, 1685.

Sarah, b. February 5, 1686.

Ebenezer, b. November 24, 1688, m. Sarah Warriner.

Josiah, b. October 7, 1690.

Mercy, b. September 12, 1692.

Samuel and Josiah were residents of Lebanon in 1727 when they deeded land of their father Joseph Thomas.

BORN VAN HORN.

This name has been written in many different ways by the various town clerks. It appears as Born and Boun Van Horn and Van Hooven. He married Sarah Smith of Suffolk, February 6, 1713, and died February 20, 1755, aged 65 years. His widow, Sarah, died December 30, 1775, in her 80th year. Their children were:—

Azariah, b. June 21, 1714, m. Sarah Wright.

John, b. March 20, 1717, and was living, according to a deed given, in 1733; d. April 15, 1783, aged 67.

Sarah, b. February 22, 1720, m. Samuel Munn.

Elizabeth, b. June 30, 1722.

Mary, b. January 22, 1726, m. James Ball of South Hadley.

Abraham, b. October 2, 1728, m. Eunice Sikes.

CHRISTIAN VAN HORN.

Christian Van Horn married Hannah Jones, daughter of Ebenezer and Mercy, December 6, 1705. He was a blacksmith by trade. His wife died January 26, 1756, aged 70. He died June 11, 1765, in his 83 year. His children were:—

Hannah, b. July 15, 1709, m. Ichabod Miller.

Submit, b. December 22, 1711, d. December 31, 1711.

Margaret, b. February 11, 1713, m. David Rockwell.

Aaron, b. February 6, 1716, d. December 27, 1721.

Sarah, b. September 28, 1718, m. Nathaniel Atchinson.

Derick, b. June 22, 1721, m. Mary Cooley.

Aaron, b. January 17, 1724, m. Mary Stebbins of Brimfield.

John, known as Dr. John, b. June 8, 1726, m. Lydia Morgan.

BENJAMIN WAITE.

Benjamin Waite married Abigail Sikes, daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth, March 10, 1726. He died January 13, 1778, in his 74th year. Their children were:—

Rachael, b. November 6, 1726.

Benjamin, Jr., b. September 18, 1728, d. October 4, 1728.

Benjamin, b. August 11, 1729, d. September 9, 1732.

Abigail, b. December 22, 1731, m. Ebenezer Barber.

Martin, b. November 18, 1733.

Rhoda, b. May 27, 1736, d. June 25, 1736.

William, bapt. May 15, 1737.

Rhoda, b. July 9, 1739, m. Lemuel Stebbins.

Benjamin, b. May 1, 1742, m. Sarah Elmer.

Moses, b. October 30, 1744, m. Hannah Kellogg.

HENRY WOLCOTT.

Henry Wolcott, son of Henry and Jane, married Abigail Cooley, daughter of Benjamin and Abigail, December 27, 1716. Their children were:—

Benjamin, b. September 24, 1717.

Jane Alling, b. October 5, 1719, m. Joseph Chapin.

Abigail, b. April 15, 1721, m. Matthew Keep.

Penelope, b. December 15, 1724.

Tryphena, b. December 20, 1726.

Henry, b. March 15, 1729.

Chester, bapt. October 25, 1732, d. same day.

Simon, b. August 7, 1733.

Peter, b. August 21, 1736, d. December 17, 1758.

Martha, bapt. December 9, 1739.

JOSEPH WOLCOTT.

Joseph Wolcott, son of Joseph of Newbury, married March 4, 1686 Rebecca, daughter of Launcelot Granger. Went to Brookfield and his wife and two daughters, Joanna and Hannah, were killed by Indians July 27, 1693. He died October 21, 1690. Their children were:—

Joanna, b. September 13, 1687, killed by Indians.

Joseph, b. August 30, 1689, at Brookfield.

Hannah, b. November 8, 1691, killed by Indians.

JOHN WARNER.

John Warner, married Lydia Boltwood, daughter of Robert. He came here from Hadley and had one child, Lydia, born there. He had four children born here, and his wife died January 26, 1682. He married second, Sarah Warner, August 31, 1683. She died January 24, 1687, and he married third, Sarah Ferry, June 30, 1687. She died July 25, 1689, and he married fourth, Widow Rebecca Cooley, November 26, 1691, widow of Obadiah, Jr. She died October 18, 1715, and he died January 21, 1724. His children were:

Lydia, b. —, m. Josiah Beeman.

Priscilla, b. April 4, 1677, m. Edmund Bement of Enfield.

John, b. February 22, 1678, m. Jebitha —, resided in Enfield and Suffield.

Ebenezer, b. February 16, 1681, m. Hannah Bliss and second, Mary Gerald.

Mary, b. January 15, 1682, d. January 29, 1682.

Children by Second Wife.

Nathaniel, b. August 19, 1684, m. Thankful —, lived in Suffield.

Child, b. October 1, 1685, d. October 18, 1685.

Child by Fourth Wife.

Child, s. b. May 22, 1695.

WILLIAM WARRINER.

William Warriner married Joanna Searle, sister of John Searle, July 31, 1639. His wife died September 12, 1660, and he married Widow Luke Hitchcock. He died June 2, 1676, and his widow married Joseph Baldwin, whose daughter Elizabeth had married William Warriner's son James. He came here very soon after the beginning of the settlement. The first mention of his name was in 1639. His homelot was the first north of Court Square. The City Hall, the store of Smith & Murray and the Five Cents Savings Bank building, stand on the lot granted to him by the Town. He was on nearly all the important committees concerning town affairs. He was chosen Constable in 1656 and Selectman in 1658. The children by his first wife were:—

James, b. January 21, 1640, m. Elizabeth Baldwin, second, Sarah Alvord, third, Widow Mary Stebbins.

Hannah, b. August 17, 1643, m. Thomas Noble.

Joseph, b. February 6, 1644, m. Mary Montague, second, Widow Sarah Collins.

JAMES WARRINER.

James Warriner, son of William and Joanna, married Elizabeth Baldwin, daughter of Joseph of Milford, March 31, 1664, and she died April 24, 1687, and he married second, Sarah Alvord, daughter of Alexander, July 10, 1689, and she died May 16, 1704, and he married third, Mary Stebbins, daughter of John and Mary Graves of Hadley, widow of Benjamin Stebbins, and widow of Samuel Ball, December 29, 1704. He died May 14, 1727, aged 87. His widow died May 21, 1727. The children of James and Elizabeth were:—

Samuel, b. November 21, 1666, d. February 12, 1667.

James, b. July 19, 1668, m. Sarah Thomas.

Elizabeth, b. August 1, 1670, m. Henry Burt.

William, b. January 6, 1672, m. Elizabeth Weller.

Hannah, b. February 13, 1674, m. Daniel Graves.

Joseph, b. November 6, 1677, m. Hannah Bliss.

Samuel, b. January 26, 1679, m. Abigail Day.
 Ebenezer, b. March 4, 1682, m. Joanna Dickinson.
 Mary, b. April 1, 1685, m. Increase Sikes.
 Daughter, s. b. March 10, 1687.

Children by Second Wife.

Sarah, b. October 13, 1690, m. Ebenezer Thomas of Lebanon, Conn.

Jonathan, b. November 29, 1692, m. Mercy Burnham.

John, b. November 29, 1694, d. March 20, 1696.

John, b. August 22, 1696, d. August 25, 1696.

Benjamin, b. April 15, 1698, m. Mercy Bartlett.

David, b. October 8, 1701, m. Mary Sikes.

JOSEPH WARRINER.

Joseph Warriner, son of William and Joanna, married Mary Montague of Hadley, daughter of Richard, November 25, 1668. He was not married here nor were his children born in Springfield. He removed to Enfield in 1687, and his wife died there July 22, 1689. He married Sarah, widow of Daniel Collins, daughter of Thomas Tibbals, July 12, 1691. He died 1697, and his widow married Obadiah Abbe. Children by his first wife were:—

Mary, b. November 17, 1669, m. Zachariah Booth.

Joseph, b. January 16, 1672, d. November 1, 1672.

Joseph, b. January 6, 1673.

Hannah, b. September 10, 1674, m. Robert Pease, Jr.

Ebenezer, b. January 18, 1676, m. Elizabeth Harmon.

Dorcas, b. January or June 27, 1678.

Abigail, b. August 23, 1680, d. January 21, 1689.

Joanna, b. November 8, 1682, m. Thomas Colton, Jr.

Elizabeth, b. September 30, 1686, m. Samuel Bliss, 4th, and second, John Pease.

Children by Second Wife.

Abigail, b. May 4, 1692.

Mary, b. May 4, 1692.

JOSEPH WILLISTON.

Joseph Williston married Mary Ashley, widow of Joseph Ashley, daughter of Joseph and Mary Parsons. Intention of marriage recorded February 11, 1698. His wife died August 23, 1711, and he married second, Sarah Stebbins, widow of Thomas, November 23, 1714. He died November 10, 1747, aged 80. His wife died 1732. His children were:—

Joseph, b. December 28, 1700, m. Hannah Stebbins.

Margaret, b. March 30, 1703, d. November 12, 1716.

Nathaniel, b. January 28, 1707, m. Merriam Stebbins.

Child by Second Wife.

John, b. November 6, 1715, m. Sarah Burt.

JOSEPH WILLISTON, JR.

Joseph Williston, Jr., son of Joseph and Mary, married Anna Stebbins, daughter of Thomas and Sarah, January 23, 1727. He died August 21, 1747, aged 47. His widow died March 19, 1762, aged 55. Their children were:—

Noah, b. November 11, 1728, d. June 4, 1732.

Consider, b. January 6, 1731, d. June 6, 1732.

Joseph, b. December 6, 1731, m. Mary Morgan.

Noah, b. July 3, 1734. (Rev. Noah), at New Haven, 1762.

Thomas Stebbins, b. July 28, 1737, m. Elizabeth Marshfield and second, Beulah Williston.

Consider (son), b. August 3, 1739, in Suffield in 1762.

Margaret, b. November —, 1741, d. February 18, 1770, aged 39.

Gad, b. October 26, 1744, in Brookfield in 1768.

Hannah, b. November 7, 1746.

JOHN WOOD.

John Wood had born here Jonathan, August 26, 1658.

JOHN WORTHINGTON.

John Worthington, son of Nicholas and Susanna, born at Hatfield, August 17, 1679, entered intention of marriage

with Mary Pratt of Seabrook, April 20, 1713. She was the daughter of John Pratt. He died December 30, 1744, in his 66th year. His widow died October 29, 1759, in her 72d year. Their children were:—

John, b. October 26, 1714, scalded to death, March 1, 1717.

John, b. March 24, 1719. He was known as the "Honorable John," m. Hannah Hopkins and second, Mary Stoddard.

Timothy, b. July 1, 1722, d. November 25, 1724.

Samuel, b. July 11, 1725, m. Sarah —.

Mary, b. March 8, 1728, d. March, 1731.

Sarah, b. January 27, 1732, m. Rev. John Hooker.

JONATHAN WORTHINGTON.

Jonathan Worthington, son of Nicholas and Susanna, married Elizabeth Scott, daughter of John and Sarah, February 19, 1708. His wife died September 8, 1743, and he married September 22, 1748, Widow Experience Fowler. His children were:—

Elizabeth, b. September 17, 1710, m. Samuel Gaylord.

Margaret, b. February 1-2, 1712, intentions of marriage with Jonathan Purchase.

Jonathan, b. June 17, 1715, m. Mary Purchase.

Nicholas, b. July 26, 1717, d. February 23, 1720.

William, b. January 16, 1720, m. Sarah Rogers.

Amy, b. November 3, 1725, d. September 20, 1743.

WILLIAM WORTHINGTON.

William Worthington, son of Nicholas and Sarah, married Widow Mehitable Morton, widow of Richard, and daughter of Isaac Graves. They went from Hartford to Colchester in 1717. His wife died there March 22, 1742, and he died May 22, 1753. Their children were:—

William, b. December 5, 1695.

Daniel, b. May 8, 1698.

Mary, b. September 23, 1701.

Mehitable, b. July 18, 1706.

Elizah, b. June 16, 1710.

ABEL WRIGHT.

Abel Wright married Martha Kritchwell, daughter of Samuel of Hartford, December 1, 1659. His wife was scalped July 26, 1708, and died October 19, 1708. He died October 29, 1725 in his 94th year. He does not appear to have been related to Deacon Samuel. He was here in 1654. Was twice Selectman, in 1689 and 1698, and was elected Deputy to the General Court. Their children were:—

Joseph, b. September 1, 1660, m. Sarah Osborn.

Martha, b. November 29, 1662, m. Thomas Marlow. *Morley*

Abel, b. September 25, 1664, m. Rebecca Terry.

Benjamin, b. March 14, 1667, m. Mary? (Chapin).

Hannah, b. July 28, 1669, m. Joseph Sexton.

Henry, b. May 23, 1671, d. December 6, 1674.

Sarah, b. May 8, 1673, m. Thomas Chapin.

Mary, b. March 9, 1675, m. Nathaniel Bliss.

Henry, b. January 6, 1676, m. Hannah Bliss.

Daniel, b. June 17, 1679, m. Mary Case of Lebanon.

Elizabeth, b. August 18, 1682, d. June 17, 1683.

John, b. April 21, 1685, d. May 11, 1685.

Elizabeth, b. May 22, 1687, m. Ebenezer Dewey of Lebanon.

ABEL WRIGHT, JR.

Abel Wright, Jr., son of Abel and Martha, married Rebecca Terry, daughter of Samuel and Ann, September 6, 1691. He went to Lebanon, Conn., and died there June 2, 1745. His four children as given below were born here. He went to Lebanon, Conn., and died there June 2, 1745. He had nine more born in Lebanon:—

Rebecca, b. September 7, 1692.

Samuel, b. July 4, 1694, d. July 20, 1694.

Abel, b. August 24, 1695.

Samuel, b. December 2, 1698.

BENJAMIN WRIGHT.

Benjamin Wright, son of Abel and Martha, m. Mary Chapin, January 24, 1695. He died December 25, 1704. His widow, Mary, died January 13, 1708. She was probably the daughter of Henry Chapin. Their children were:—

Benjamin, b. May 22, 1696, m. Mary Miller.

Henry, b. May 19, 1700, m. Elizabeth Brooks.

Mary, b. May 1, 1705, Posth., m. Samuel Lamb.

HENRY WRIGHT.

Henry Wright, son of Abel and Martha, married Hannah Bliss, daughter of John and Patience, May 24, 1705. His son, Henry, and his wife were captured July 27, 1708, by the Indians. Henry died from wounds on that day, and his wife was killed later. He married second, Sarah Root, daughter of Thomas and Mary of Westfield, March 15, 1711. He went to Lebanon, afterward came here and died in 1768, aged 91. Children by his first wife were:—

Hannah, b. May 18, 1706.

Henry, b. January 9, 1708, d. from wound received from Indians, July 27, 1708.

Children by Second Wife.

Moses, b. 1713, m. Abigail Bliss.

Stephen, b. July 13, 1716, m. Mirriam Sikes.

Caleb, b. May 17, 1718, was living in Springfield in 1773.

Elisha, b. March 13, 1720, m. Abigail Morgan.

Son, s. b. January 2, 1722.

Sarah, b. January 15, 1723, m. Azariah Van Horn.

Deborah, b. —, m. Thomas Ellingwood or James Warri-
ner.

JOSEPH WRIGHT.

Joseph Wright, son of Abel and Martha, married Sarah Osborn, December 29, 1687. Was at Kingsfield in 1733. He died June 14, 1736. His children were:—

Mindwell, b. September 24, 1688, d. —.

Joseph, b. October 14, 1690, m. Merriam Merrick.

Sarah, b. November 26, 1692, m. Hezekiah Porter.

Benjamin, b. November 11, 1694, killed by Indians, 1712.

Mindwell, b. June 15, 1698, m. Jonathan Old, or Thomson.

Mary, b. September 24, 1702, m. John Burt.

Rachael, b. December 4, 1706, m. James Dorchester, 3d.

DEA. SAMUEL WRIGHT.

Dea. Samuel Wright was in Springfield in 1641. Went to Northampton in 1656, and died there October 17, 1665. His wife, Margaret, died in 1781. He served on various committees concerning town affairs and with others conducted religious services in absence of the minister. Their children were:—

Hannah, b. —, m. Thomas Stebbins. She may possibly have been a sister of Samuel and not a daughter.

Benjamin, b. —, 1627, d. October 24, 1704.

Samuel, b. October 3, 1654, in Springfield, m. Elizabeth Burt.

James, b. —, m. Abigail Jess.

Judah, b. in Springfield, May 10, 1642, m. Mercy Burt.

Mary, —.

Margaret, b. —, m. Thomas Bancroft.

Esther, b. —, m. Samuel Marshfield.

Lydia, b. —, m. Lawrence Bliss, John Norton, John Lamb and Quartermaster George Colton.

Helped, b. September 15, 1644, in Springfield.

SAMUEL WRIGHT, JR.

Samuel Wright, Jr., married Elizabeth Burt, daughter of Henry and Eulalia, November 24, 1653. They removed to Northampton and he was killed by the Indians in 1675. His widow married Nathaniel Dickinson. Their children were:

Joseph, b. —, 1657, m. Ruth Sheldon.

Benjamin, b. —, m. Thankful Taylor and Mary Barker.

Ebenezer, b. —, 1663, m. Hannah Hunt.

Elizabeth, b. —, 1666.

Eleazer, b. —, 1668, m. Mary Pardee.

Hannah, b. —, 1671.

Benoni, b. —, 1675.

JOSEPH YOUNGLOVE.

Joseph Younglove, son of John, married Anna Terry daughter of Thomas and Mary, February 1, 1711. He had five children born here, two or three at Suffield, and two more at Simsbury, Conn. Those born here were:—

Joseph, b. November 2, 1711.

Sarah, b. May 19, 1713, d. November 8, 1713.

Issiah, b. April 8, 1716.

Anna, b. November 2, 1717.

Aaron, b. September 6, 1718.

CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS.

On page 153, the date of 1662, in the indenture of John Mathews' child should be 1682.

Page 256, beginning of 11th line, should read Mill River.

Page 307, 14th line from bottom, should read Edward Stebbins, instead of Edward Horton.

Page 349, James Warriner, should read James Warriner, Jr., fence viewer.

Page 535, 12th line from bottom, Hezekiah Diggeson was intended for Hezekiah Dickinson. Fifth line from bottom, James Barber should read James Barker.

Page 266, Joseph Woliston should read Joseph Williston.

Page 370, Doctor Auralt as written by the Town Clerk, should read Ayrault.

Page 377, third line from bottom, should read Samuel Bliss for Saml Blass.

Pages 404 and 414, wherever the name of Barcelett or Barclet appears, the name of Bartlett was intended.

Page 433, 11th line from top, Ebenezer Cool should read Ebenezer Cook.

Page 456, 10th line from top, second name, should read Samuel Day.

Page 470, the name of Widow Jeremiah Colton, should read Widow Jehannah Colton.

On various pages where the Town Clerk wrote Malleford, Mallefield, Mashfield, or Massefeld, he had reference to John Mallefuilid.

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APPENDIX.

ORIGIN OF THE NAMING OF MOUNTS HOLYOKE AND TOM.

Dr. Holland in his "History of Western Massachusetts," and in some of his subsequent writings, gave a very poetical account of the naming of these two conspicuous mountain ranges, and what he wrote has generally been accepted as historical facts. There is no known record showing conclusively how or when these names originated. Dr. Holland in his account states that two exploring parties from Springfield went northward,—one on the east side of the Connecticut, headed by Elizur Holyoke, and the other on the west side by Rowland Thomas. When these two parties arrived at the narrow pass between the mountains, at what in later years was known as Rock Ferry, then and there the two mountains were named, after the leaders,— the mountain on the "east side receiving the name of Holyoke, and that on the west side Thomas, afterwards curtailed into plain and homely Tom." There is no other account of such an expedition. The first mention of Mount Holyoke in the records is in 1664, when a County road was laid on the east side of the Connecticut from Hadley to Windsor. Mount Tom is mentioned in the records as early as 1662. In a deed in Book A, Page 32, in the Register of Deeds' office in Springfield, is this: Joseph Parsons and wife Mary of Northampton deed to Aaron Cook, Senior, of Northampton, swamp land, and take land that was granted by the town of Northampton to Cook,—that "lyeth under Mount Tom, and bounded easterly by the Great River and westerly by Mount Tom, and the sides lye against John Webb, Sen., northerly, and John Webb southerly."

There can be no doubt that Mount Holyoke was named for Elizur Holyoke, but how the other received the name of "Tom" there is as yet no explanation that is beyond a doubt. June 10, 1660, Thomas Cooper sells land "at a place called Woronoco, extending from a brook called Tomhommuck on the north, to Woronoco river on the south." In other deeds in Book A, are mentioned, on Page 6, "the aforesaid tract of ground called Wequetayyag-Yowunok hommuck;" Page 8, "Sunnuck-quommuck;" Page 11, a track of ground called "Sunmuk quommuck;" Page 15, "Luekommuck;" Page 17, a "brook called Tomhammucke;"

Page 33, "Tomhommuck brook;" Page 43, "bounded by a brook called by the Indians Tomhommuck." Under Mount Tom, on the banks of what was originally the Connecticut, we have Pascommuck. It is evident that the Indian words terminating with "hommuck" had reference to a brook or river, possibly running through a meadow, and it is as clear to the writer that Tom was a prefix of some Indian word, applied to our loftiest mountain range, "curtailed" as Dr. Holland has said, "to plain and homely Tom," but without reference to that useful early resident, Rowland Thomas. Those who have made a study of the Indian tongue may be able to give a better explanation. These comments are made only in the light of suggestion with the view of separating fact from fiction.

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